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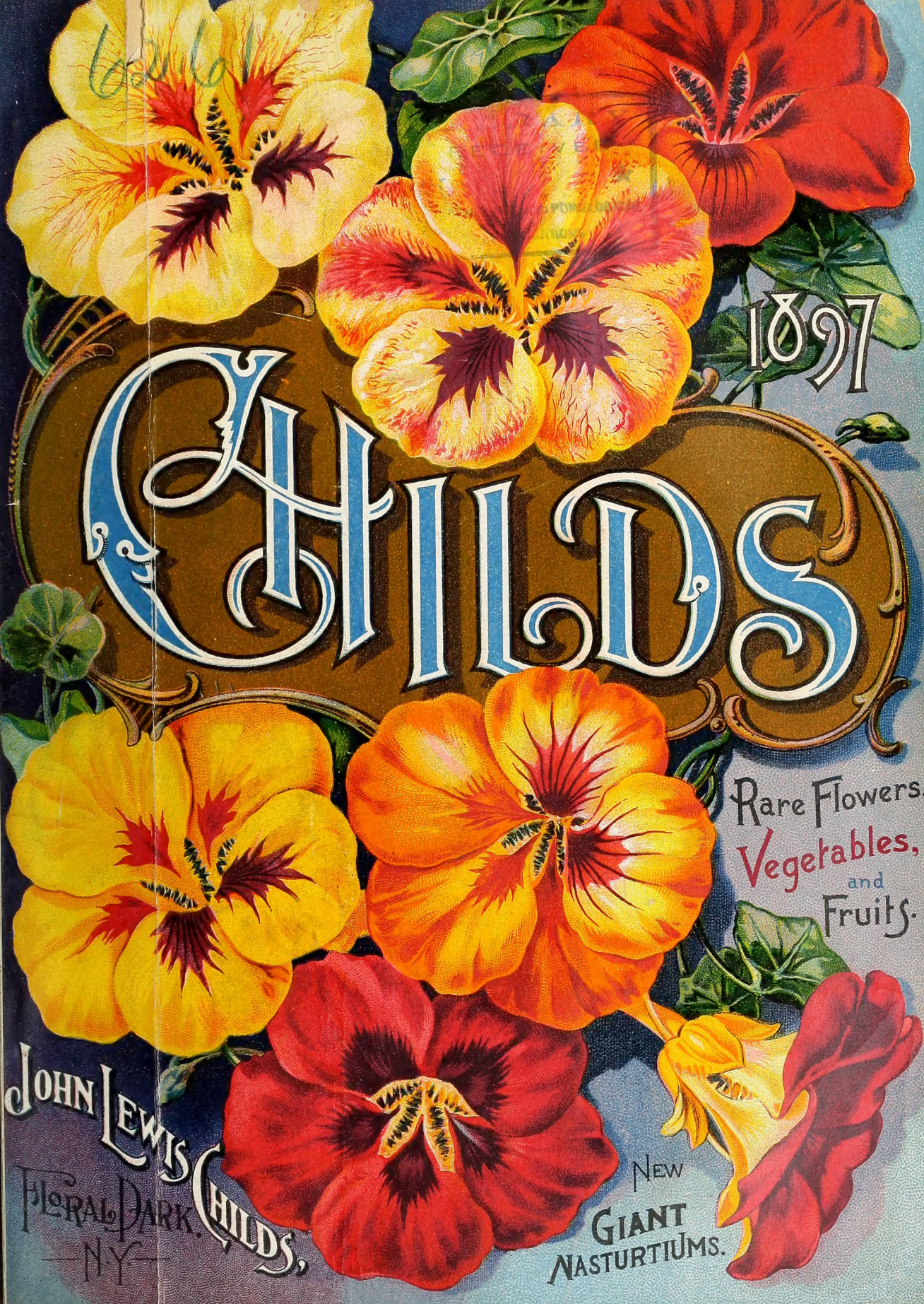
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CHILDS
Rare Flowers,
Vegetables,
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Fruits.
JOHN LEWIS CHILDS,
FLORAL PARK,
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NEW
GIANT
NASTURTIUMS.

CHILDS' NEW GIANT NASTURTIUMS.

Flame-colored blossoms on slender stems—
Yellow and scarlet, and deep maroon—
Holding erect their graceful heads
That nod and glow in the sun of noon.

Beautiful blossoms so bright and gay,
You teach a lesson we should not forget;
For however dreary and dark the day,
You do your best to brighten it.

If we were asked to name the six best annuals, the Nasturtium would be one of them. They are so easy to grow that a six-year-old child could plant them and care for them, and they have every good quality of a bedding plant—compact habit, attractive foliage, intensely bright and beautiful flowers, borne profusely the whole season, not troubled by insects, and standing dry weather well. Do not let seed form, and plant on soil not too rich. Our Nasturtiums, as well as our Sweet Peas and Pansies, take the lead, and these three are the most popular and satisfactory of all annuals.

New Giant Flowered Dwarf Tom Thumb.

SEE SPECIMENS ON COVER.

Of all Nasturtiums this new strain, now offered for the first time, and represented in colors on the cover of this Catalogue, is the most beautiful and useful, as well as the largest in size and most varied in color. The blossoms are simply enormous in size, and there is a marvelous range of colors and an infinite variety of new shades. Clear, golden yellow, salmon-pink, dark red, golden brown, all shades of yellow variegated with red and brown, canary color, terra cotta, orange and black, with all combinations, making a most brilliant showing. Some of the combinations of color are quite indescribable. The plants are dwarf and compact in habit, with large, luxuriant foliage, and bloom with wonderful profusion all summer long. For pot culture, especially for winter blooming, they are superb, and rival in beauty the choicest plants in any collection. Planted at any time during winter or spring they will bloom in a few weeks, and are certainly unsurpassed for window plants. For the garden sow in open ground about corn planting time in the spring. We offer in this strain a mixture of over 40 different colors and combinations. Per pkt., 10c.; extra large packets, 20c.

Cloth of Gold.

Fine to contrast with the green-leaved or dark-foliaged Nasturtiums. Leaves of a clear, bright yellow, while the beautiful flowers are a fine scarlet. It is a superb bedding plant, of compact habit, forming a plant which is a dense mass of foliage and blooms at all times. Must be seen to be appreciated. A most effective bedding plant.....10 & 20

Fancy Nasturtium.

We can supply plants of three unique Nasturtiums which do not bear seed; one a double, and the other a many-colored single, and the other with variegated foliage.

Double—Large double blossoms, fine yellow, blotched crimson. A fine novelty.

Caprice—This lovely Nasturtium is a climber, and bears large blossoms in abundance, some of which will be yellow, some crimson, some rose, and others beautifully mottled and variegated. Splendid for windows or verandas.

Variegata—A fine climber with large luxuriant leaves which are deep green with large margins and blotches of white. A lovely foliage plant either for the window or garden.

20c. each; the three for 50c.

Dwarf Tom Thumb, Named Varieties.

Per Pkt.

Lady Bird—A beautiful bright yellow, stained and blotched with deep crimson.....5 & 10

Empress of India—A fine variety, with dark purplish foliage and very dark, rich crimson flowers. Grand for edging or ribbon beds as its color is noticeable..5 & 10

King Theodore—Darkest of all, almost black in color.5 & 10

Golden King—One of the loveliest shades of yellow we ever saw. Superb bedder.....5 & 10

Coccinea—Bright, flashing scarlet; could not be brighter.....5 & 10

Pearl—The nearest white. Good for contrast.....5 & 10

Rose—A lovely soft shade of rose.....5 & 10

Spotted—Gorgeous in colors and markings.....5 & 10

Beauty—Deep yellow, marked with bright scarlet.....5 & 10

Crystal Palace Gem—Sulphur-marked maroon.....5 & 10

King of Tom Thumbs—Deep, velvety scarlet, with handsome dark foliage. Very fine.....5 & 10

Ruby King—An elegant new sort with flowers of large size and a rich ruby-red color. A grand sort, and one of the richest colored Nasturtiums in cultivation.10 & 20

Minus—Miniature Nasturtium, growing only half as large as other varieties. It is very dainty and pretty as an edging to beds of the larger sorts. Many fine colors mixed. Per oz., 30c.....5 & 10

Tom Thumb Mixed—All colors, including the above and many others. A very choice strain. Per oz., 20c.; per lb., $1.30.....5 & 10

One packet each of above 14 sorts 60c.

Climbing Nasturtiums.

These are climbing Nasturtiums and can be used as bedders by pegging the long shoots to the ground, as low climbers for window or screen, or used as house-climbers in winter. They are never molested by insects, and are quick, clean growers that soon cover themselves with flowers of the brightest, richest colors. Everyone likes them who tries them. They withstand heat and drouth well, and if not allowed to seed too freely, will bloom for many months.

Mixed, All Colors—Very fine. Oz., 20c.....5 & 10

Lobbianum, or Oriole—Mixed colors; many shades, and all with fine fimbricated petals. Colors intense and very striking. Elegant window climbers.....5 & 10

Mad. Gunthert Hybrids—A new strain of large flowered, elegantly blotched and marked sorts. More than twenty different colors and shades appear among them. All of new and peculiar beauty. Splendid rapid growers, and fine foliage. A great French novelty of last year.....10 & 20

Golden Climber—A splendid climbing Nasturtium, with beautiful golden-colored leaves and brilliant scarlet blossoms. It makes a vine, either for the garden or window, which is of the most striking oddity and beauty, and will attract the widest attention. The bright colored blossoms mingled with the charming light yellow leaves produces a pretty effect.....10 & 20

→ OUR FALL CATALOGUE. ←

On the first of September we issue a Catalogue of Bulbs and Plants for fall planting and winter blooming, such as Hyacinths, Tulips, Narcissus, Crocus, Ixias, Freesias, etc. We mail this Catalogue to all of our customers of this year, and we will also send it free to others who wish to order.

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Special Features. *This Catalogue contains a few new or special features to which we invite public attention.*

Flower Seeds. A new system of selling. Each variety packeted in two sizes; the smaller at 5c., the larger at 10c. (or in some cases 10c. and 20c). For full particulars see page 49.

Plants. In addition to our fine strong plants for mailing, we have grown of most kinds some extra large specimens for express orders. See page 119.

Gladiolus. Special low prices. Several pages (beginning at 4th) are devoted to this most magnificent flowering bulb, and many different kinds and collections are offered at nominal prices.

The Mayflower. An especially valuable premium goes free with this splendid Horticultural Magazine, which is increased to 64 pages and made more valuable than ever. See back cover.

This Color Plate represents, one-half natural size, a few of our new Japanese Morning Glories, which we present to our customers free of charge.

We have tried to make this Catalogue particularly interesting by new features, special attractions, reduction in prices, sterling novelties, and general good points, that we may merit an order from each one who receives it. The fact that our house has for years stood at the head in our line of business is sufficient recommendation and a guarantee that from us those who have orders to send may expect not only the finest quality of stock to be had, but also the greatest value for the money they invest. It has always been our aim to deal with our customers in a manner that will insure their continued patronage and that of their friends, and our doing so has given us more patrons than any other two houses combined.

Childs' Giant Imperial Japanese Morning Glories.

THE GREATEST OF NOVELTIES.

FREE to Our Customers. No flower is more universally loved and cherished than the dear old Morning Glory, and we are proud to offer a new strain of it, with gigantic blooms as large as Moonflowers, with colors, markings and variegations never before seen, and of indescribable beauty. Some double, some with quilled and feathered petals, and many with beautifully marbled and variegated leaves. Like all Morning Glories the seed germinates quickly and the vines grow rapidly and are soon in bloom, often before they reach a height of two feet. The flowers are borne by the hundreds, are of enormous size, like great Moonflowers, five or six inches across, and of the most delicate, vivid and blending colors to be seen in any flower. Some will be pure white, others crimson, brick-red, light and dark blues, pinks, etc., while others show a rich and varied combination of colors blended together in a most enchanting way. Spotted, blotched, striped, stained, penciled, bordered, mottled and variegated in every conceivable manner. A few will be double and semi-double and others with quilled and feathered petals and grotesque forms. This colored plate is but a poor representation of their real loveliness, and shows but a few of the one hundred or more different colors and forms. To add to their beauty, the leaves of many of the varieties are richly marbled and variegated white and green. Nothing among flowers can furnish a more beautiful sight than a screen, hedge or trellis of these Giant Morning Glories. To secure the beautiful varieties which we here offer, our agent traveled in Japan from garden to garden, collecting a little seed at each one, as the best cannot be bought anywhere in quantity, and is not to be compared with any Japanese Morning Glory seed which may be put upon the market.

Mixed, All Colors and Varieties—More than 100 kinds, single, double, quilled, variegated, etc., a few of which are represented on this plate, one-half natural size, 25c. per pkt., 3 pkts. for 50c.

Or, we will give a packet free to anyone who orders anything from this Catalogue, if the following check is returned, provided, however, the order amounts to 50 cents or more.

(Cut on this line.)

CHECK. *Good for a packet of Childs' Giant Imperial Japanese Morning Glories, free with any order amounting to 50c. or more.*

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Floral Park, N. Y.

THIS CHECK CUT OFF AND ENCLOSED WITH AN ORDER TO US IS GOOD FOR A MIXED PACKET OF THESE ODD AND BEAUTIFUL JAPANESE MORNING GLORIES, FREE.

1897---Greetings.

ONE of the pleasures which the first of each year affords is the presentation of a copy of our new Catalogue to each of our customers, and we do it believing that they find pleasure and profit in receiving it. It is no small task to supply half a million books like this, and it necessitates an enormous outlay of labor and money. Of course, we receive in return a goodly number of orders to compensate for this outlay, yet when the country is not in a generally prosperous condition we get no returns whatever from tens of thousands of these Catalogues, which is more or less discouraging. While we delight in giving out the Catalogue, we need the encouragement which orders bring. If *each person* would acknowledge the Catalogue with an order such as they *can* send, though not, perhaps, such as they would *like* to send, we could ask nothing more. Yes, we would certainly appreciate at least a small order from each one who receives a copy of this Catalogue, and with a view to encouraging such we have made many attractive offers and some radical changes; among others:

Flower Seeds, New System of Selling. As will be seen on page 49, we have introduced a new system of selling Flower Seeds at uniform prices in packets of two sizes, the smaller at 5c. and the larger at 10c.; or in some cases 10c. and 20c. This, we believe, will be appreciated by our customers, who are thereby enabled to have a large variety of our very choicest seeds at small cost.

Shrubs and Hardy Perennial Plants. As will be seen on pages 114 and 116, are offered in two sizes. The smallest, such as can be sent by mail, postpaid, at 15c. each; 3 or more at 10c. each; and larger specimens by express, such as are too large to go by mail, at just double price. All can take their choice. Nice, thrifty young plants by mail, or large, fine clumps or bushes by express.

Choice Plants. As will be seen on page 119, we also offer many of our choice plants in two sizes. Fine, thrifty stock by mail, postpaid, or large specimens by express.

Gladiolus. Look at our great collection of this most magnificent of all flowering bulbs on pages 4 to 9, and note the low prices for the different varieties, both singly and collectively. By all means plant a good lot of them.

During our career as seedsman and florist we have spared no pains to furnish our customers the very best stocks of the very best varieties, and at consistently low prices. In both seeds and plants we have never offered a large variety, confining ourselves to those of greatest merits, to sterling novelties, and to supplying strains of highly perfected quality. It is this which has given our seeds, bulbs and plants a world-wide reputation and brought to our house the largest patronage ever enjoyed by any in our line.

ALL ABOUT THE MAYFLOWER.

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS' FAMOUS HORTICULTURAL MAGAZINE. (MONTHLY.)

Its Fine Premiums, Great Value, and Many Attractions.

HOW TO GET UP CLUBS.

There are but very few families, especially in the country who will not subscribe for THE MAYFLOWER if it is brought to their attention and its merits properly set forth. Everyone of our customers would take it if they knew its value. Just think of it! This delightful 64-page magazine with its fine colored plates a whole year, and a premium of 5 valuable Bulbs and 5 packets of rare Flower Seeds for only 30 cents (in clubs of five or more). In addition to this the one who gets up a club receives a fine club premium for every five subscribers secured and stands a chance of getting one of the large cash prizes. In view of these inducements we hope that everyone who receives this Catalogue will get up a club. By showing the colored plate of the premium on cover of this Catalogue, and calling attention to all the good points of THE MAYFLOWER, as there set forth (only part of which are, for lack of space, mentioned) it will take but little effort to get most of your friends and neighbors to subscribe; thereby securing some club premiums, possibly a cash prize, besides doing your friends a kindness in getting them THE MAYFLOWER for a year, and the fine premium for only 30 cents. These premium bulbs and seeds would cost more than $1.25 were one to purchase them.

THE MAYFLOWER contains 64 pages, bound in beautiful covers, with elegant illustrations and one or two superb colored plates in each issue. There are to be many special articles during the coming year from noted writers, and some of our issues will be largely devoted to special subjects: For instance, in the January number we shall describe and comment on all the leading novelties in Seeds, Bulbs and Plants. In the March number Fruits and Vegetables will receive special attention. July, all about wild flowers. September, hardy or fall bulbs, and their culture.

Our new department of "Experiments and Tests," conducted by Michael Barker, will be of great interest and value to all our readers. Mr. Barker has under his charge 8 greenhouses and 10 acres of garden devoted to tests and experiments with Flowers, Vegetables and Fruits, the results of which he writes up monthly for this department.

Do not overlook our "Home Interests" department, edited by Carrie Goldsmith Childs. It is a constant delight to our lady readers and has done much to make THE MAYFLOWER famous and popular. Thousands of people not interested in flowers or gardening take THE MAYFLOWER regularly for this department. This magazine will make every home into which it goes happier, more beautiful, and better appreciated. Its subscription list, now nearly 300,000, is increasing rapidly, and the magazine will take on new attractions and improvements from time to time. May we not, dear reader, number you and some of your friends among our subscribers? Sample copies free to any who apply.

General Instructions.

WHAT WE DO.

Free By Mail.—We send Seeds, Bulbs and Plants FREE BY MAIL, at the prices named in this Catalogue. This brings them to the very doors of our customers without trouble or expense.

By Express.—If a package is ordered to go by express we do not pay the charges; but somewhat larger plants, shrubs and fruits can be sent in this way, and we always add extra ones, enough to more than pay the cost. All the large express companies carry our goods at very low rates.

We Guarantee that every package we send out shall reach its destination in good condition, and that everything shall be received exactly as ordered. If a package is lost, or any of its contents injured on the way, we will send again. We also guarantee everything true to name.

We Pack all plants carefully in strong wooden boxes, which insures their safe transit through the mails to the remotest parts of the country, or abroad.

We Fill all orders as soon as received, if the stock is ready. Customers who wish their order, or any part of it, booked for shipping at a later date, should state the fact.

To Canada, Mexico, Hawaii, most of the **countries of South and Central America,** and the **West India Islands,** we can send goods in large parcels by mail, postpaid. We can ship to other foreign countries by mail, only in 8 or 12-ounce packages.

England, Ireland and Scotland.—We have so many customers in Great Britain that we, at frequent intervals, fill their orders and ship the parcels in bulk to our agent in Liverpool, from which point they are forwarded to their destination by rail or parcel post.

Discounts. We make the following discounts to those who will get up a club or order largely for their own use. Considering our very low prices we think them very liberal. *Please notice that these discounts cover everything offered in this Catalogue, and not merely seeds by the packet.*

Those sending $	1.00	can select articles amounting to	$	1.10
"	2.00	"	"	2.25
"	4.00	"	"	4.60
"	5.00	"	"	5 75
"	6.00	"	"	7.00
"	10.00	"	"	12.00
"	25.00	"	"	30.00
"	50.00	"	"	62.00
"	100.00	"	"	125.00

We advise the formation of large clubs, and the above discounts will certainly pay anyone for some trouble in that direction. See also, our splendid premiums to MAYFLOWER clubs, on cover.

WHAT BUYERS SHOULD DO.

Forward Money with the order, and at our risk, when sent by post-office money order on Floral Park; greenbacks or gold or silver coin, by registered letter; bank draft or express company's money order.

Stamps.—Please do not send postage stamps in payment for goods if it can be avoided. Letters often get damp in transit, causing stamps when enclosed to stick together and to the order, frequently resulting in the destruction of both. We shall return such as come in bad order, and we must deny discounts and extras to orders which are paid for in stamps.

Silver or Gold coin when sent in letters should be sewed or pasted up in strong paper or cloth to prevent its breaking through the envelope, which is frequently the case when enclosed loose.

Be Sure to write your name and address plainly. We have on our hands hundreds of orders of last year without names, others without post-office or State, and some with the name or post-office written in such a careless or illegible manner that it is impossible to read them. Keep a correct copy of your order, that you may know when the package arrives if all is correct, as people often forget what they ordered, and complain without cause.

Please Write your order plainly and distinctly by itself, and not mix it up with anything else you may wish to say.

Those Who Send a neat, plainly written order will be sure to have it filled correctly and with despatch, and will also receive some valuable "extras." Always carry out the price of each article, and after adding the amounts together and deducting the discount, remit the exact sum.

Order Early.—We strive to fill all orders within a day or two after they reach us, but this is frequently made impossible by a great rush of business about planting time. Do not wait until you need your seeds and bulbs before ordering. Anticipate planting time by getting your orders in early.

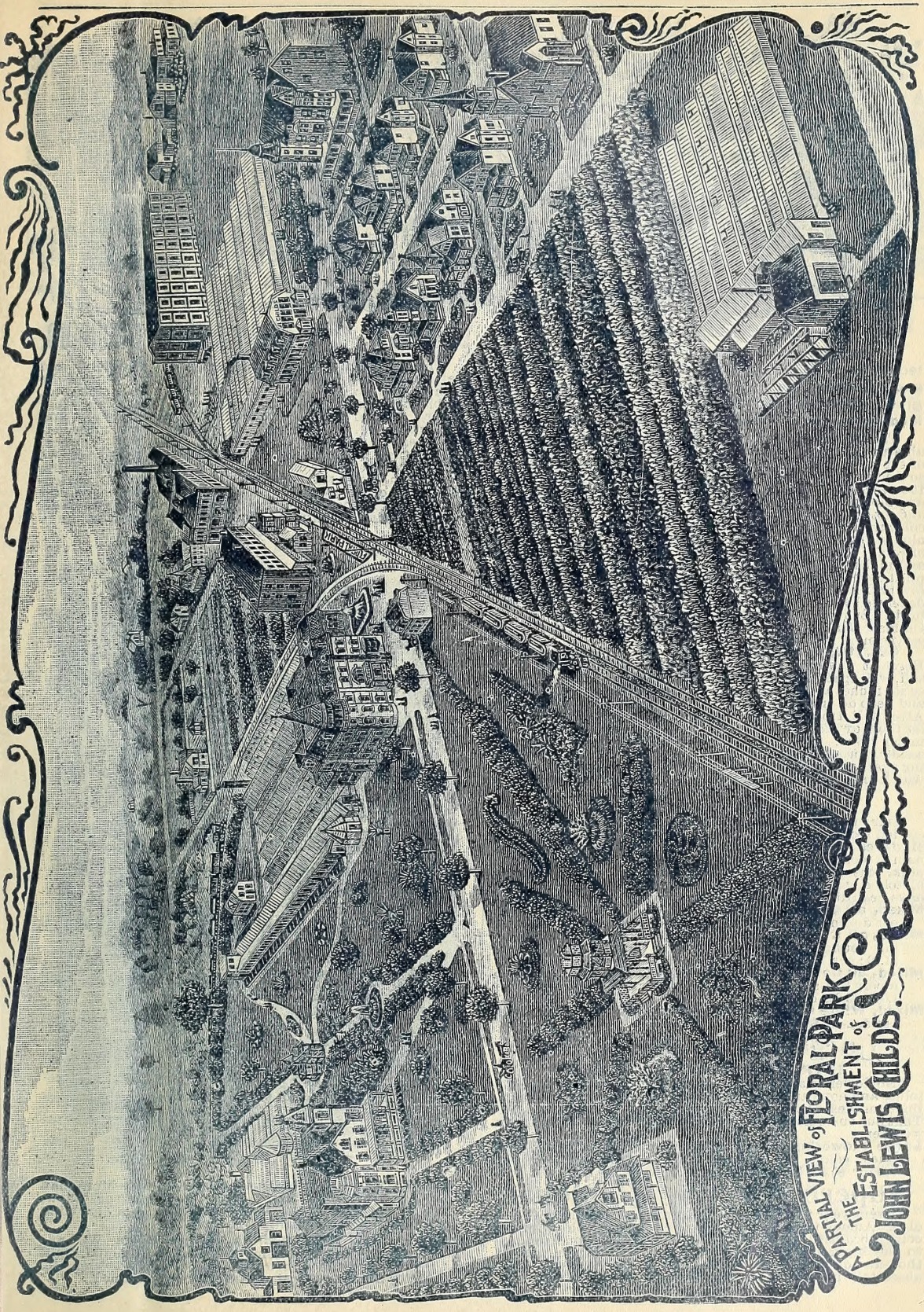
Important.—It occasionally happens that an order is lost in coming to us, or the goods in going to the customer; therefore, if any who order do not hear from us within a reasonable length of time, they should send a duplicate order, naming the date on which the former one was sent, and the amount of money enclosed, and in what form. This will enable us to investigate the matter, and fill the duplicate order with despatch. *No inquiries will receive attention which do not contain duplicate, etc., as here mentioned.*

Floral Park--Our Establishment.

On the opposite page will be seen a bird's eye view of that portion of Floral Park which lies in the immediate vicinity of our seed store, greenhouses, bulb house, printing establishment, etc. Of course, only a very small part of our 200 acres of flowers is represented in this picture. Floral Park is situated on Long Island, is partly within the city limits of Consolidated New York, and is on the line of the Long Island Railroad, which runs directly through our premises—our grounds bordering upon it for a distance of more than a mile, and presenting a floral display which is unequaled on the continent. Though we cultivate 200 acres of ground here, it is not a tenth part of the acreage required to produce our entire crops, and Floral Park is really more of a trial garden than a seed farm.

Our greenhouses are in four sets, or blocks; are of large size, ranging from 100 to 200 feet in length, and 12 to 20 feet in width—and cover several acres. Our principal seed store, which is a large brick and iron fire-proof structure, was erected in 1890. It consists of four stories and basement, and is the finest seed house in America. It is fitted with every convenience for filling orders promptly and accurately. Besides this we have several other large buildings which are used for storage and special work which the main building cannot accommodate. In all there are over twenty substantial buildings connected with our establishment. Among them is one enormous brick bulb house, containing 16,000 square feet of floor space, and filled completely with Gladiolus and other Bulbs. The printing house is a large brick building, 150 feet in length, separated from all others. In this is located a powerful steam engine and an electric light dynamo. The finest presses and other machinery known are used for turning out the large edition of THE MAYFLOWER and our job work of various kinds. Our Catalogue is also printed and bound here, amounting in numbers to over one million copies annually, which is the largest catalogue job executed in the world. The entire contents of our Catalogues, (type matter and cuts) is copyrighted, all being original with us. We publish and sell at 10 cents per copy an album of Floral Park views, showing 25 half-tone photographic views of our establishment, grounds, buildings, etc.

Our registered trade-mark is here shown. Through our Catalogues we attach it to varieties of seeds, bulbs or plants which were named and introduced by us, and wherever it is seen one may feel sure that it indicates great merit.



A PARTIAL VIEW of FLORAL PARK THE ESTABLISHMENT of JOHN LEWIS CHILDS.

The Gladiolus.

The Gladiolus is our leading specialty, and our collection is the largest and finest in the world—in fact, we supply most of the bulbs which the world uses. We grow about 150 acres of them. Gladiolus being our leading specialty we place them first in this Catalogue.

The Gladiolus is the most satisfactory, the most desirable and the most popular of all garden bulbs. Nothing else of the kind costs so little, and nothing else grows and blooms so readily for anybody and everybody in any soil or climate. It is, in short, the most satisfactory garden flower, thriving and blooming as it does, with the least care and attention, and makes a display which, for brilliancy and beauty of coloring, few bulbs can equal and none surpass. The Gladiolus is to the flower garden what bread is to man, "the staff of life." Our collection is so large that many of the finest and highest priced sorts of European Catalogues can be supplied by us by the ten thousands, and we offer them at very low prices. Not only do we grow the finest varieties of Gandevensis by the million, but also Lemoine's New Hardy Hybrids. But the finest of all Gladiolus is the new strain, Childsi. This novelty is of such sterling worth that it deserves more than special attention.

CULTURE.—Gladiolus are of the simplest culture. Plant at any time from April to July, in any fairly good soil, well spaded. Set in rows three inches apart, or in masses six inches apart each way. Plant in full sun, if possible, and keep down weeds. They bloom from July to October. After fall frost, lift the bulbs and after removing the tops let them dry for two or three weeks in any airy position under cover. Then, after removing the roots, store them in a cellar, or any cool, dry place, away from frost, for planting again the following spring. We have issued a little book which tells all about Gladiolus and their culture. Price, 10c.

Mixed Gladiolus.

Our mixed Gladiolus are not the poor dull colors, old discarded red sorts and worthless seedlings usually sent out as Mixtures. On the contrary they are made up from splendid named sorts, brightest and most varied colors, white, yellow, pink, rose, blush, intense scarlet, carmine, violet, striped, blotched, variegated, etc. All old common and poor sorts have been discarded, and this mixture is of the highest grade.

Mixed, all Colors, First Size—Extra large flowering bulbs, per dozen, 30c.; per 100, $2.25; per 1,000, $20.00, by mail.

Mixed, all Colors, Second Size—These are all fine blooming young, vigorous bulbs. Per dozen, 15c.; per 100, $1.00; per 1,000, $8.00, by mail.

Mixed, all Colors, Third Size—Small bulbs, but will bloom nicely this summer. Per dozen, 10c.; per 100, 60c.; per 1,000, $5.00, by mail.

Mixed, White and Light Varieties, Only—First Size, 30c. per dozen, $2.25 per 100.

Large Gladiolus Bulbs,

EXTRA LOW PRICE BY EXPRESS.

No flower so adorns the garden or lawn as does the Gladiolus, and none are more easily grown or so fine for decorating churches, rooms, dining tables, halls, stores, offices, etc. That our customers may afford to plant them extensively, we offer

Large Flowering Bulbs Mixed—Choicest varieties and finest colors, by express: 100 for $1.50; 300 for $4.00; 500 for $5.50; 1,000 for $10.00, 3,000 for $25.00.

Superb Seedling Gladiolus.

Every year we raise a million or more Seedling Gladiolus. Among these there is the greatest possible range of colors, beautiful forms and massive spikes. Some are equal to the highest priced named sorts. Should you plant a thousand of these bulbs you would see 1,000 different sorts—absolutely no two alike. 25c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100.

Lemoine's New Hardy Hybrid Gladiolus.

The odd and fantastic markings of these Gladiolus, and their beautiful shape, resemble the fascinating beauty of the Orchid. Yellow, crimson, white, brown, green, pink, etc., are blended together, producing an effect seen in no other flower. They are of recent introduction, therefore new and quite unknown. It is useless to attempt to describe their regal beauty, for it cannot be done. They must be seen. Besides their gay colors and odd markings, they have two very important points of superiority over other sorts. First, they bloom two or three weeks earlier and are in full perfection before others appear; and secondly, they are hardy, and may be left in the ground over winter, from year to year, without lifting in autumn. They do well either way.

Lemoine's New Hardy Hybrids, Mixed Colors—More than 100 finest varieties, which make a most gorgeous show, the bright and varied colors blending in a charming manner. 25c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100.

Lemoine's New Hardy Hybrids, Named Sorts—We have over 80 named sorts of Lemoine's Gladiolus, including all the newer and finer varieties. Price, our selection, 5c. each; or for 50c. we will send 15 fine sorts, named.

15 Beautiful Gladiolus

AT EXTRA LOW PRICES.

Our enormous stock of Gladiolus enables us to offer some really fine sorts of which we have a large supply, at remarkably low prices. The 15 here offered are well-known standard varieties, and there is not a poor one in the lot. Such excellent sorts as Ceres, Brenchleyensis and Golden Sceptre are among them.

Archduchess Marie Christine—White, with slight lilac tinge, and flamed rosy carmine.

Antonius—Cherry-scarlet, slightly orange, flamed carmine, with pure white blotches.

Brenchleyensis—Intense fiery scarlet. Extra early bloomer, and one of the most showy and popular kinds.

Carnation—Fleshy white, tinged at edges of petals with richest carmine.

Ceres—Pure white with purple-rose spots and marks. A very fine sort.

Conquete—Large and fine flower, bright cherry-red, with large, pure white blotches and rosy stripes.

Eugene Scribe—A superb sort. Flower large and wide, tender rose blazed and striped carmine.

Golden Sceptre—(*Isaac Buchanan.*) Most beautiful, fine clear yellow. Spikes large and perfect. A great favorite.

John Bull—White, slightly tinged yellow and marked violet rose. A grand old favorite.

Lamarck—Cherry-scarlet, tinged orange. Large pure white stains.

Leander—Lovely large lilac, shading to carmine. Distinct white band in each petal, and white blotch.

Mad. Monneret—A really superior variety. Flower spike large and well formed; flowers large and of a delicate rose color. Exceedingly pretty and always attractive.

Napoleon III—Rich dark red, with pure white throat. A well-known and popular variety.

Reine Blanche---Lovely pure white with dark carmine blotch.

Van Spandonk—Fiery red. A rich and showy color.

PRICE OF ABOVE: 3 cts. each; 5 for 10 cts., or more at 2 cts. each. One each of the 15 sorts for 20 cts., 3 each for 60 cts. Any variety at 20cts. per dozen, $1.10 per 100, or $10.00 per 1,000.

New Varieties of Gladiolus Childsi for 1897.

PRICE, $1.00 EACH, THE 13 FOR $10.00.

NORMA DEE CHILDS. Extra large flower and spike. Color delicate white, softly penciled with rose, and with large sulphur-yellow throat. Perfectly exquisite and distinct.

FALCONER'S FAVORITE. Very strong rank grower; enormous spike; flowers larg , deep brilliant ruby-red, white band tarough petals.

MIDDLEBORO. Salmon pink, freely flaked and penciled with deep rose, and carmine mottled throat.

EXQUISITE. Of rather slender growth with long graceful spike. Color pure snow-white with brilliant magenta.

BLUE DANUBE. Splendid large flower; perfect spike. Exquisite silvery blue with carmine and white throat. One of the most striking.

ERIE. Bright rosy carmine, with canary colored throat.

GRACILLIS. Slender, graceful spike with large flower of a dull red color, margined and penciled with slate blue.

MARGINATA. Fine salmon, with crimson and white throat, each petal having a delicate margin of slate blue.

ELABORATE. Bright, fiery red, freely penciled with brilliant amaranth, and large white throat. Very fine.

ETHEL. Beautiful soft rose color, with white and crimson.

ADOLPH GLOSE. Large spreading flower of a peculiar slaty blue color, with large crimson and white mottled throat.

HOHOKUS. Large, flaming crimson; throat mottled bright magenta.

OLD OXFORD. Slaty salmon, heavily clouded with blue. Large crimson and white mottled throat.

FIFTEEN FINE GLADIOLUS CHEAP.

Here are fifteen of the finer varieties which we can sell cheaper than the wholesale prices quoted for the same in Europe, as we have an inexhaustible stock of them. It is a delight to us to be able to sell such fine varieties at such a nominal price, for we know that this offer will bring delight to thousands of homes. Such grand sorts as Africain, Fatma, Grand Rouge, Duchess of Edinburg, Octoroon and Shakespeare are among them.

Addison—Very dark amaranth with pure white stripes which show to wonderful effect. Spike large and beautiful.

Africain—This is justly termed the black Gladiolus. Its color is of the deepest crimson-black, with a pure white blotch in the throat. While it is the darkest it is one of the very finest varieties known. Spike large and of perfect shape.

Angele—With the exception of Snow White, this is the nearest to a pure white Gladiolus in cultivation. It produces a beautiful spike, and the snow-white color with here and there a little blotch of pink, is very beautiful.

Aurore—A beautiful and distinct variety, being of a bright salmon-rose color striped and marked with orange, carmine and lilac, with cherry blotches.

Duchess of Edinburg—The celebrated English variety which has been called in Europe the finest variety in cultivation. The flower is of fine form and great substance. The plants attain a height of six feet. Color, a deep rose with carmine stripes on lower divisions. A grand variety.

Fatma—Very large flower and beautiful spikes. Color, ivory-white profusely striped and suffused with bright rosy-salmon, and with violet blotch. A grand variety.

Grand Rouge—Enormous spike of large, flaming scarlet blossoms. The finest of all reds and in size of flower and beauty of spike no variety can surpass it. No collection complete without it.

Hesperide—Pure white ground profusely blotched, flaked and striped with bright rosy-salmon. One of the most delicate and pleasing colors and a great favorite everywhere.

La France—Pure white with carmine flame at edges of petals and large amaranth blotch in throat.

Mr. Bains—A beautiful, clear, almost transparent shade of light red. A truly exquisite as well as a very showy color.

Octoroon—One of the most distinct and beautiful varieties in cultivation. Large well-formed spike and large flowers of a clear salmon-pink.

Pepita—Brightest golden yellow with only slight stripes or marks of carmine. One of the very finest of its color, and a most exquisite variety.

Shakespeare—A famous variety and one of the most beautiful in cultivation. Spikes and flowers are of very large size and most delicately and beautifully colored. Ground work is pure white suffused with carmine, and with large rosy blotches and numerous violet and pink flakes.

Sylphide—An extra large and fine flower of a pure white color, flamed with carmine.

Thalia—Another most beautiful light-colored variety, being pure white, flamed, striped and penciled with rose and carmine. Very effective.

PRICE OF ABOVE: 5c. each; 6 for 25c.; the 15 for 50c. Any variety at 40c. per dozen.

Fifteen Grand Gladiolus at a Bargain.

The following fifteen varieties are classed among the most exquisite named sorts known to cultivation. Every one is a rare gem. Enormous spikes of perfect shape, and the softest and most effective colors mingled and blended in a manner which no pen can portray. Most of them retail in Europe at from 50c. to $2.00 each. In offering them at 10 cents we feel that our customers will not miss this opportunity of adding to their gardens at least some of these rare beauties.

Amalthee—A most exquisite variety and always attracts attention. Pure white with large violet-red blotches. These blotches have a velvety appearance and the lower petals are beautifully tinged and penciled.

Augusta—A magnificent variety. Pure snow-white with conspicuous blue anthers. Introduced by us several years ago and is, next to Snow White, the finest white variety.

Bicolore—Enormous flower and spike of the most beautiful shape. Color bright rosy-salmon with large pure white throat. Its beautiful coloring makes this variety one of the most effective in cultivation.

Cameleon — Compact truss of large, slaty-blue flowers flamed orange and with white band down the middle of each petal. Large creamy white blotches in throat. An extra choice variety.

Champs de Mars—Salfirino with distinct white blotches. Beautifully bordered.

Corsaire—Very intense, dark, velvety scarlet tinted with brown at the edges of petals. Compact spike and large flower. A comparatively new, high-priced, and in every respect a grand variety.

Diamant—Fleshy white of remarkable freshness; throat ivory-white blotched and streaked carmine.

Flamboyant—One of the grandest varieties known to cultivation. Flowers large and of intense scarlet color. Like a great flaming torch.

Lord Burleigh—Beautiful, fresh watermelon-red with light throat.

Mlle. Maries Mies—A French variety of the highest class. Large, beautiful spike of delicate rose, flamed with carmine and scarlet, blotched with purple.

Madame de Vatry—French white with purplish crimson blotch. A well-known and highly esteemed sort.

Marie Berger—A grand new French variety. Rosy lilac blotched and striped with red, shading to yellowish rose towards the center. Dense spike of large, well-opened flowers.

Pyramide—Perfect spike, broader at the lower part than at the top. Flowers large and well expanded and of delicate orange-rose color.

Reverend Berkeley—A beautifully colored variety, being of delicate light rose tinged with violet-carmine, feathered and flaked with white.

Virgil—Handsome variety of bright, glowing crimson color.

PRICE OF ABOVE: 10c. each; any 3 for 25c.; 7 for 50c., or the 15 for $1.00. Any variety at 80c. per dozen.

Five Gladiolus Childsi for 25c.

Having a large stock of the following five varieties of Gladiolus Childsi, (see description on page 9), we make this special offer of 25c. for the collection of five varieties; fine large flowering bulbs. They are as follows:

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MOHONK,
MRS. HENRY WARD BEECHER,
WM. FALCONER.
HENRY GILLMAN.

The above Five for only 25 cents, postpaid.

25 New and Rare Gladiolus.

These are comparatively new and very rare varieties of the highest merit. Such sorts as Ball of Fire, Canary Bird, Flamingo, M. M. Meis, Seduction, Sun Set, The Sultan, etc., have hitherto been so high in price as to make them beyond the reach of the general public. But at 20c. each, or 3 for 50c., everyone can add some of these rare and exquisite beauties to their collection; and we want to say that there is a rare treat of loveliness in store for those who plant them.

Ali—New and very rare. Tall and compact spikes and numerous and perfectly arranged flowers. Upper petals very pale, creamy rose, striped and penciled cherry red. Lower petals yellow with rose sheen, and finely rayed or striped purplish-red.

Ball of Fire—The perfection of a bright scarlet Gladiolus. Flower large and beautifully arranged on the spike. Intense scarlet, crimson-maroon blotch and blue center.

Bayard—Large carmine-red flowers slightly tinged with lilac, and delicately banded with white in the center of the petals. A beautiful new French variety.

Canary Bird—Probably the finest of all yellow varieties. Flower and spike large, and color a good clear canary. New and exceedingly rare.

Coralie—White, tinted rose and yellow; flamed with bright rose, and with yellow blotches. A French variety of much merit.

Eugene Souchet—Bright rose color, relieved by a large white blotch and stripes. Most beautifully shaded. This variety is named after the celebrated French grower, and is very choice.

Fairmount—An American variety of great beauty. Flowers large and elegantly shaped. Blush-white blotch with carmine.

Flamingo—One of the grandest varieties for brilliancy. Fiery red with blotch of rich purple in throat. Spike large and flowers well arranged. One of the grandest.

Gallia—Very long spike of large and handsome rosy-white flowers, flushed bright carmine at the edges.

Ganymede—Compact and tall spikes of rosy-carmine flowers with amaranth sheen.

Glory of Brightwood—A very striking variety on account of its peculiar and intense colors. Brightest scarlet with clear lemon throat.

Latone—Tall and compact spike, fine flowers of a delicate rose, with creamy white blotches and stripes.

Mad. Auber—One of the grandest French varieties. Compact spike of extra large and well-shaped flowers. Color pale, rosy-lilac, blotched with creamy white.

Mad. Leseble—Pure white with large, purplish rose blotch. A very handsome variety.

Meyerbeer—Brilliant scarlet flamed with vermilion; amaranth-red blotch.

Mr. Krelage—Terra cotta red flamed with smoke color. White blotch with carmine lining.

Nereide—Long and compact spike of large flowers. Beautiful pearl-rose color suffused with lilac; blotched with bright violet.

Pygmalion—Cherry-red, slightly flamed with a darker shade. Pure white blotches, feathered violet. Each petal has a white band.

Seduction—Rosy salmon, very bright and open, throat exceedingly clear with large white blotches and carmine feathering.

Sunset—Lovely pure pink, blotched and flamed darker. An exquisite variety.

Snow White—The only absolutely pure snow-white Gladiolus in existence. Flower and spike large and of most beautiful shape.

Therese De Vilmorin—Tall spikes, flowers of a creamy white, passing to pure white, with a few purplish-rose stripes in center. Very distinct.

The Sultan—Large white, flamed, striped and blotched with bright carmine.

U. S. Grant—Enormous spikes, often two feet and upwards in length. Color, ivory-white, beautifully veined with purplish-blue.

Victor Jacqueminot—Bright, compact spike of brilliant orange flowers, profusely flamed with scarlet and with violet blotches and pure white streaks.

PRICE—20c. each; 3 for 50c; or more at 15c. each; the 25 for $3.00. Any sort at $1.25 per dozen.

Gladiolus Childsi.

No novelty in Floriculture has been introduced during the past ten years which equals in importance, magnificence or value, this distinct new strain of Gladiolus, first introduced by us in 1892. They far outrank all other Gladiolus in size of spike, size of bloom, vigor, varied and magnificent coloring and freedom of bloom. They were produced by Max Leichttin, of Germany, the most noted horticulturist in the world, and are the result of a careful cross between the finer varieties of Gandevensis, and that lovely species, Saundersoni. They came into our possession a few years later at the purchase price of $20,000. In our hands they have been still further hybridized and improved.

DESCRIPTION.—It is difficult to describe flowers of such varied and peculiar beauty as these Gladiolus. They are much stronger and more vigorous than others, the growth being exceedingly rank, and the foliage dark, healthy green. They are very tall and erect, often standing four or five feet high, with spikes of bloom over two feet in length. They branch freely, in most cases each stem producing toree or four spikes of bloom, and bloom much earlier than ordinary varieties. The flowers are of great substance and of gigantic size, frequently seven to nine inches across. The form of both the flower and spike is perfection itself, and they last in bloom a long time before fading, owing to their great substance and vigor, but the most remarkable feature is their coloring. Orchids can not surpass them in their varied and delicate shades, markings and blendings. Every color known among Gladiolus is represented, and many never before seen, particularly blues, smoky-grays and purple-blacks, all having beautifully mottled and spotted throats, made up of white, crimson, pink, yellow, etc., and in this peculiar network of charming spots and colors lies one of its special points of unsurpassed beauty. The flowers are more beautifully colored than Lemoine's Hybrids, and much larger than Gandevensis. Even the beautiful flowers of the weak-growing Nancelanus cannot compare with the regal beauty, size or colors of this class. From every quarter come words of the warmest praise for their unexcelled magnificence.

ELEGANT NAMED GLADIOLUS CHILDSI.

	Each.
Allerton. Bright rosy red, blotched and marked with carmine..	20
Aurea Superba. Foliage of a distinct yellow color, though healthy and robust. Flowers and spikes large and of peculiar beauty. Color soft orange scarlet with distinct white blotches and mottling, with white and vermilion in the throat.....	20
Brilliant. Beautiful orange red with carmine and white throat. Superior to Flamboyant, Meyerbeer and other red varieties...	20
Bessie Tanner. Very large beautiful soft rose color with pure white throat. Exquisite.....	80
Burlington. Bright pink beautifully tinged with orange scarlet. Carmine and white mottled throat.....	15
Bowdoin. Very large flower, light orange scarlet with large pure white throat. Very effective.....	15
Boston. Flaming orange scarlet with large, pure white, violet mottled throat	10
Ben Hur. Large compact spike, enormous flower of a peculiar and almost indescribable color. Light salmon rose, tinged, flaked and mottled with blue. Throat beautifully mottled and spotted white and bright carmine.....	50
Cumberland. Dark slaty purple tinged red, with pure white and scarlet marked throat.....	25
Cincinnati. Beautiful large pink, flaked bright orange with rich, velvety amaranth throat.....	25
Columbia. Light orange scarlet freely blotched and penciled with bluish purple. Throat freely marked and mottled.....	5
Dr. Parkhurst. A spike nearly three feet in length and bearing upwards of 25 flowers. Dark, brilliant red with an elegantly white mottled throat. A superb variety.....	50
Daisy Leland. Enormous spike and flower. Easily the largest flower produced by any Gladiolus. Bright rosy pink, of exquisite loveliness. Spike gracefully curved. We consider this in many respects to be the finest Gladiolus in cultivation.....	80
Deborah. Dark red tinged with amaranth. Very large, pure white throat and blotches. Also white band through petals...	30
Dexter. Orange red, with gray and carmine throat, beautifully marked and mottled.....	30
Dr. Sellew. Large spike and very large flower of great substance. Deep, rich rosy crimson, slightly penciled darker. Center of petals rayed with white. Throat pure white, mottled and spotted.....	10
Eva. Beautiful rose, shaded and marked with slate. Throat finely mottled with various colors.....	15
Henry Gillman. Deep salmon scarlet with pure white bands through each petal, the throat showing the peculiar spotting and mottling of this class.....	5
Kitty Leland. Bright rosy salmon with orange tinge. Flower spike often as much as three feet in length, showing between twenty and thirty blossoms which are of the largest size and most perfect shape. No grander Gladiolus than this.....	75
Livonia. Light red with white mottled throat.....	10
Lael. Soft pink with bright carmine throat, shaded with orange and having a peculiar metallic luster. Enormous.....	20
Marguerethe. Large flower and spike. Bright red, freely marked, blotched and suffused with slate-blue, and with large, white-mottled throat.....	30
Mrs. W. N. Bird. Beautiful lilac-rose, crimson-white mottlings in throat, and carmine marks. Extra fine.....	40
Mohonk. A strong, rank grower, flowers of large size and great substance Deep dark pink with spotted throat, shaded orange and flaked with maroon.....	10
Mrs. Beecher. Beautiful deep rosy crimson. Large well opened flower with pure white throat, freely marked and spotted with bright carmine.....	10
Mrs. La Mance. White overspread with a slight lilac shadow, the mottling being purplish crimson.....	15
Nakomis. Soft pink blotched and shaded with orange; white and crimson throat. Enormous spikes.....	15
Nilo. Amaranth red shaded purple, numerously blotched and flaked with slate and beautiful, large, pure white center. Mottled and spotted with crimson.....	25
Nezinscott. Bright blood scarlet with deep velvety crimson, black blotches and white mottling in the throat.....	10
Oddity. Deep amaranth red freely suffused with purple-blue. Large distinct white marks and red and white mottling in the throat. Very odd color.....	25
Peoria. Slaty lilac, with white and crimson throat.....	25
Princeton Large flaming red with violet and white mottlings in throat. Spikes of great length.....	10
Rosedale. Lilac rose tinged with slate-blue. Carmine throat....	25
Ruby. Very dark deep ruby red with bright violet and white mottling in throat; an exceedingly rich color.....	25
St. Oscar. Large, well-open flower; rosy pink outside and blush-pin inside, with throat variegations of different colors.....	20
Senator Childs. Large well opened flower, deep glowing red with enormous white throat. Extra fine.....	30
Savannah. Deep blood red with white-mottled throat. Makes a splendid spike.....	20
Sandusky. Carmine red, penciled and flaked darker.....	20
Sacramento. Deep, bright coral scarlet, with clear and distinct white mottlings in throat.....	20
St. Louis. Very large individual flower of a splendid rose color. Light inside and dark outside with faint white bands.....	25
Splendor. A splendid large flower of the softest, sweetest rose color. Large magenta stains with purple and white mottlings.	25
Torch-Light. Very fine spike of large, light flaming scarlet flowers. Throat mottled and spotted white and violet; a most brilliant and striking color.....	10
Tuxedo. Fine rose marbled with crimson; throat showing large white stripes and beautiful mottlings.....	50
Wm. Falconer. Spike of great length and flowers of enormous size. Light pink and blush, two delicate shades, freely mottled and intermixed. Throat spotted with crimson and white.	10
Winthrop. Very bright scarlet. Inside of petals suffused with pure white mottlings, and with large white blotches outside..	25
Waukesha. Salmon pink shaded lighter inside; large, beautiful primrose throat thickly mottled crimson. Spikes 2 to 3 feet...	10
Yolande. Pure white softly tinted blush, with large, brilliant crimson throat.....	25

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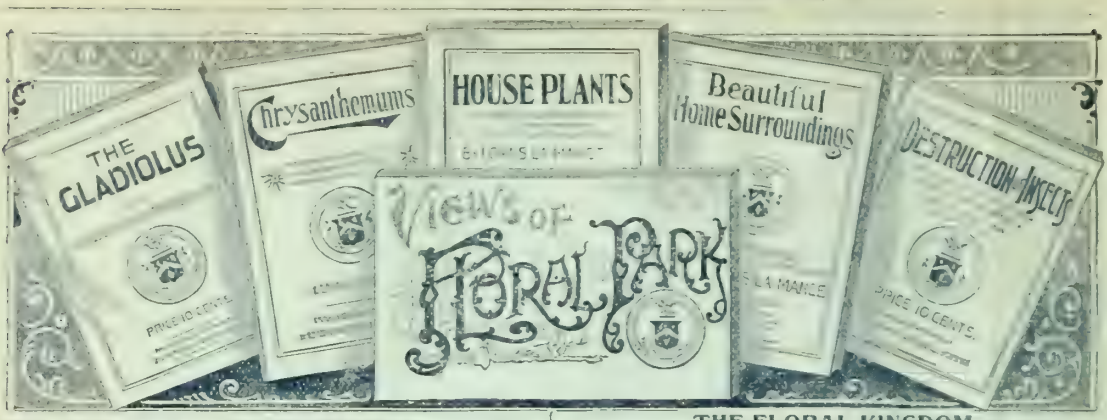
All colors and varieties. Every one an exquisite beauty. Large flowering bulbs, 75c. per dozen; $5.00 per 100.



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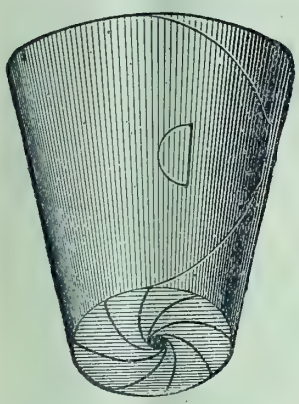

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1 Rose, Champion of the World. See page 48.
1 Begonia, Vernon. See page 120.
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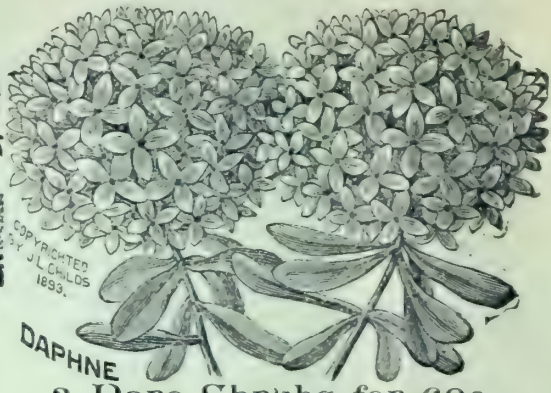


3 Rare Shrubs for 60c.

Three of the most rare, beautiful and desirable Shrubs known to cultivation, by express (too large to mail) for only 60c., as follows:

Daphne Cneorum—A small, low-growing shrub, with spiral branches of dense evergreen leaves. The flowers are a lovely pink color, in dense clusters, and are borne profusely in early spring, and more or less during the entire summer and fall. The delicate beauty of the blossoms is great, but their fragrance is marvelous. Fine plants by mail, 30c. each.
Clematis Paniculata—A most beautiful vine, for true description of which see page 118.
Spirea Fortunei—A most gorgeous perpetual blooming shrub. Densely covered with blossoms all the time.

4 Beautiful Grasses for 60c.

For only 60c. we will send by mail or express (much larger plants by express) one each of these 4 superb Ornamental Grasses. Nothing finer for lawn specimens.

1 Arundo-Donax, Variegata—It is a luxuriant grower, the wide, green blades being bordered and striped with pure white. It is perfectly hardy and produces great ostrich-like plumes like the famous Pampas Grass. A most striking and ornamental object.
3 Eulalias—Elegant hardy grasses, growing ten feet high, with beautiful foliage and large feathery plumes. Three sorts, as follows: *Zebrina*, fine yellow, spotted; *Variegata*, finely striped white, and *Gracillima*, charming wavy foliage, which is very graceful and pretty.

Our Great Surprise Collection.

Larger and Finer this Year than ever before.
$4.00 or $5.00 worth of the Choicest Flowers for only $1.00.

We are obliged to grow enormous stocks of all kinds of Plants, Bulbs and Seeds, generally more than is necessary, to make sure of having enough. It is our custom, after the heavy spring business is about over, in May, to take the surplus stock of various good things, make it into "Surprise" Collections, and offer them to our customers, giving them four or five times the value of their money. In fact the "Surprise" is in the great amount of fine things one gets for the money paid. These collections cannot be sent out until about the middle of May, and will be entirely of our own selection, from kinds of which we have a surplus. No collection will be made up for less than ONE DOLLAR and from that up to any amount the purchaser may desire. They will be sent free, by mail, unless desired by express, and in that case we can send very much more for the money than by mail. All "Surprise" Collections ordered previous to May 15th will be booked and shipped then, but we can continue sending them up to the first of July. We advise our friends to invest a dollar or more in this collection. We can guarantee that all will be pleased.

Flower and Vegetable Seed Novelties.

The spice of the garden is in its novelties. No matter how many favorites we have among the standard varieties we all find the Novelties to be the most interesting, and we watch their blooming with eagerness. The first question asked us by our friends is, "Have you any Novelties to be seen?" and "How are you pleased with the Novelties this year?" Our customers are never disappointed in our Flower and Vegetable Seed Novelties, for we are careful to test them thoroughly and prove their merits before offering. Not over ten per cent. of the European novelties are worthy of introduction here and we have always protected our patrons from being imposed upon by making thorough tests and offering only such as are of real merit.

Verbesena Occidentalis.

A most æsthetic and beautiful flower. Grows as freely as a Zinnia in any situation, and seed may be sown directly in the open ground. Blooms profusely from June to October, the blossoms being large, richest and brightest golden yellow in color, closely resembling a Cosmos, and borne on long, graceful stems. Seed sown in pots at any time during winter will be up and blooming within a few weeks, the plants producing their charming flowers when only a few inches in height. For pots it is a most lovable flower. We cannot say too much in praise of this real gem. Everybody will be delighted with it. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Begonia Vernon, Dwarf.

Begonia Vernon, introduced a few years ago, has become a standard window plant and no collection is complete without it, so beautiful are its blossoms and so abundantly and persistently are they produced. We are fortunate in being able to offer this year a new dwarf form of this charming plant. Its growth is compact and stocky, attaining about one-half the size of the older type. The blossoms are produced freely and are set near to the foliage. It is a perfect little beauty of a plant. Blooms in three months from seed. Color, dark crimson. Pkt., 10c.

Yellow Japanese Morning Glory.

We have received from Japan a quantity of seed of a new golden yellow Morning Glory of the Imperial Japanese type as shown on colored plate in this Catalogue. It is unnecessary for us to comment upon the value and beauty of this great yellow variety. Per pkt., 25c.

"Shoo-Fly" Plant.

An important new plant of the Physilis family. It is claimed that flies will not stay in a room where it is growing if they can conveniently escape, and our tests show such to be the case, though what there is about it that repulses them is not clear, as the plant or flower has no odor. Aside from this most remarkable quality it is a most beautiful flowering plant, and blooms in a very short time (60 days) from seed. It is particularly valuable as a winter bloomer, the blossoms being large, cup-shaped, and of a lovely light blue color with a white center. It is a profuse bloomer in pots both summer and winter. In the garden it grows too rank and weedy to be of any special value, but as a pot plant it is exquisite. Pkt., 15c.; 3 pkts. for 30c.

"CUPID" SWEET PEA.

The First Form of a Dwarf Sweet Pea.

This is a novelty of unusual importance. It is a Dwarf Sweet Pea, the plant growing only five inches high, yet spreading out and forming a solid mat of foliage and flowers one and one-half feet across. The blossoms are pure milk-white, very sweet, of largest size and great substance, and borne on stems four inches long, three flowers on each stem. It begins to bloom as early as May, and, unlike the climbing Sweet Peas, continues in profusion until killed by frost. This is a remarkable feature and makes it at once one of the most superb plants for bedding, massing and edging in cultivation. For pot culture, also, it is of great value, being novel, unique, fragrant, always full of flowers and superlatively beautiful. Next to our Giant Imperial Japanese Morning Glories, it is the greatest flower seed novelty of last year. Small packets, 5 cts.; large packets, 10 cts.

Sweet Peas.—At 5c. per pkt.

Our Great Collection of Grand New Varieties, All at Five Cents per Packet.

One of the dear old flowers that will never go out of fashion. Everyone who has a yard ought to grow quantities of this sweetest of all flowers, that is not only a beautiful low-growing vine for garden and decoration, but one of the most useful of all in furnishing material for vases, bouquets and all cut flower work. Plant quantities of these lovely flowers and cut them with a lavish hand. Their presence will bring pleasure in the sick room, adorn your friends' otherwise empty vases, and make happy the flower-hungry children, with no pretty yards and flowers of their own; for every flower you pick, two will come to fill its place. Easy to grow anywhere if sown early, very early. For the largest and finest blossoms, dig a trench six inches deep, put in two inches of rotted manure, a little earth, and sow the seeds over this three inches apart in the row, covering an inch and a half deep. Do this as early as the ground can possibly be worked in the spring, and as the plants grow, fill up the trench around them with rich earth. Such planting will produce enormous quantities of flowers of the very largest size.

The following collection of 84 named varieties at 5 cents per pkt.

	per oz.
Adonis—A fine shade of carmine-rose	10
Alba Magnifica—A fine pure white of good size and substance	10
America—Beautifully striped white and scarlet	30
Apple Blossom—Lovely pink and rose standards, wings pale pink; large and fine	10
Blanche Ferry—The prettiest pink and white variety of all. Vine unusually bushy and compact	10
Blanche Burpee—Pure white, enormous size, three on a stem. Finest of its color	15
Black—Deep maroon, with indigo-blue wings; fine dark sort	10
Blushing Bride—Lovely blending, pink and white	10
Boreatton—Deep maroon, large and stout	10
Bronze King—Fine copper-red with pure white wings	10
Butterfly—Pure white laced with blue	10
Cardinal—Fine rich cardinal red	10
Captain Clarke—White shaded crimson, penciled blue; wings white with blue edge	10
Captain of the Blues—Purple-blue, with lovely bright blue wings	10
Countess of Radnor—Soft lavender, delicate and fine; large	15
Crown Princess of Persia—Delicate blush pink, shading to buff; wings pale pink	10
Carmen Sylva—Purplish carmine; blue wings	10
Catharine Tracy—Claimed to be the largest size, finest form and most delicately colored pink variety yet sent out. It 's a beauty	20
Delight—White flushed pink, crested carmine; wings white	10
Dorothy Tennant—Fine rosy mauve; exquisite color and large size	20
Duchess of Edinburgh—Light scarlet; crimson wings	10
Duchess of York—Beautiful large white, delicately striped pink	10
Duke of Clarence—Fine large flower; lovely rosy claret color	15
Duke of York—Bright rose, with primrose wings	15
Extra Early Blanche Ferry—Like the original but blooms much earlier	20
Emily Eckford—Fine rosy mauve changing to blue; large	15
Eliza Eckford—Large white, shaded and flushed rosy pink	15
Etna—Dark crimson, with marbled edges	10
Empress of India—Clear soft rose. Grand	10
Emily Henderson—Lovely pure white; large size, and the really finest white variety	20
Firefly—Large bright crimson scarlet	10
Fairy Queen—Beautiful white and rose	10
Grey Friar—Large marbled mauve. Extra	15
Galety—Large white, striped and flaked dark pink	10
Her Majesty—One of the grandest and newest sorts	10
Ignea—Fine, deep, scarlet crimson	10
Invincible, Striped—Scarlet and white, finely striped	10
Invincible, Scarlet—Well-known red sort	10
Indigo King—A deep rich blue. New	10
Isa Eckford—Creamy white, mottled pink	10
Juanita—Large, white, delicately striped lavender; the largest and very finest of all	40
Lady Beaconsfield—Salmon pink, with primrose yellow wings	15
Lady Penzance—Extra large bright pink; magnificent	15
Light Blue and Purple—Standards maroon; wings pale blue	10
Lemon Gem—Lovely light lemon. Very delicate	10
Lottie Eckford—White, edged delicate blue	15
Miss Hunt—Pale carmine, wings laced rose; exquisite	10
Madame Carnot—Fine imperial blue	10
Meteor—Standards orange-primrose, wings bright pink	10
Mrs. Eckford—A most delicate primrose yellow	15
Mrs. Joseph Chamberlain—White, striped and flaked pale rose	15

Per oz.

Monarch—Bronzy crimson, with rich deep-blue..... 10
Mrs. Gladstone—Delicate pink and blush. Lovely..... 10
Mrs. Sankey—Extra large, snow white..... 10
Novelty—Pale carmine, laced rose..... 15
Oddity—Pink, edged and laced with rose, and oddly curled edges..... 20
Ovid—Exquisite pink, laced rose..... 10
Orange Prince—Bright orange pink, flushed scarlet; wings deep rose-veined pink..... 10
Peach Blossom—Large soft pink; delicate and fine..... 15
Princess May—Soft lavender; delicate and pretty..... 15
Princess Beatrice—Bright rose, flushed with pale pink.. 10
Princess Victoria—Bright scarlet and cardinal..... 15
Princess of Wales—White, striped with blue..... 10
Princess Louise—Rich rosy pink with blue wings..... 10
Painted Lady—Lovely pink and white..... 10
Purple Striped—White, striped dark purple and maroon. 10
Primrose Fine primrose yellow. New and fine..... 10
Purple Prince—Fine rich purple. A splendid sort..... 10
Queen of England—Splendid pure white..... 10
Queen of the Isles—Scarlet, mottled with white..... 10
Ramona—Creamy white, delicately striped and flaked blush; new..... 25
Rising Sun—Orange rose, shading to soft pink..... 10
Royal Robe—Large, bright pink; fine..... 15
Splendid Lilac—Dull carmine with white wings; fine... 10
Splendor—Large, purplish rose. Very fine..... 15
Stanley—Fine large deep maroon..... 15
The Senator—Chocolate, shaded and striped..... 10
The Queen—Soft pink with mauve wings..... 10

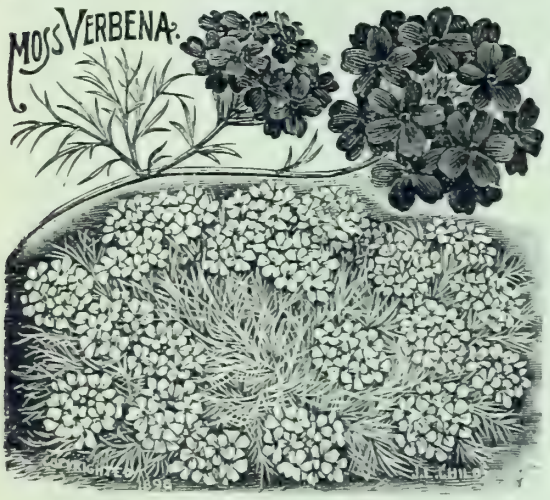
Per oz.

Toreador—Large and magnificent. Pure white, heavily striped and barred with bright cardinal..... 50
Venus—Soft salmon buff. Large size..... 10
Vesuvius—Brightly marked, mottled, spotted and shaded, crimson, purple, violet, etc..... 10
Violet Queen—A beautiful shade of violet..... 10
Waverly—Rosy scarlet; rose laced wings. Extra large... 10
Red Riding Hood—A new and distinct type. Flowers beautifully hooded, and in color a pleasing rosy pink, shading to blush white at the calyx. The keel, which is almost completely enveloped, being nearly pure white. It is exceedingly fragrant and a very early bloomer. Stems long and graceful, often 18 inches; a valuable variety for cutting. Leading new variety of this year. Sold only in small packets at 5 cts.
Double Mixed—A small per cent. of these produce double flowers which are exceedingly fine. Several colors mixed, 5c. per pkt.; 25c. per oz.
Our Grand Large-Flowering Mixed Sweet Peas—The finest mixture possible as only the large-flowered or "Grandiflora" type (Eckford's) is used. More than 100 different colors. They are perfectly magnificent. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; ¼ lb., 35c.; ½ lb., 60c.; 1 lb., $1.10; 2 lb., $2.00.

SPECIAL OFFER—*For only $2.50 we will send one packet each of the 84 varieties named above, and one each of Cupid, Double Mixed and our grand Large-flowering Mixture, in all 87 packets. At $2.50 this price is less than 3c. per pkt. It will make a superb collection.*

Early Fruiting Luffa.

Everyone is familiar with the ordinary dish-cloth gourd of the South, which on account of its lateness in maturing its fruit is not adapted to Northern climates. The Early Luffa, which we now introduce, is just what its name implies. Seed sown in the open ground in any Northern State or Canada, like Cucumbers, will bear and ripen an abundance of fruit before frost. The lace-like network of fibre which forms inside the fruit is a very useful article, and is used for various purposes, such as dish-rags, sponges, and even for bonnets and other millinery work. The flowers of this variety are also very numerous, large and showy, and the plant as a whole is a most charming, useful and interesting vine. Pkt., 20c.; 3 pkts., 50c.

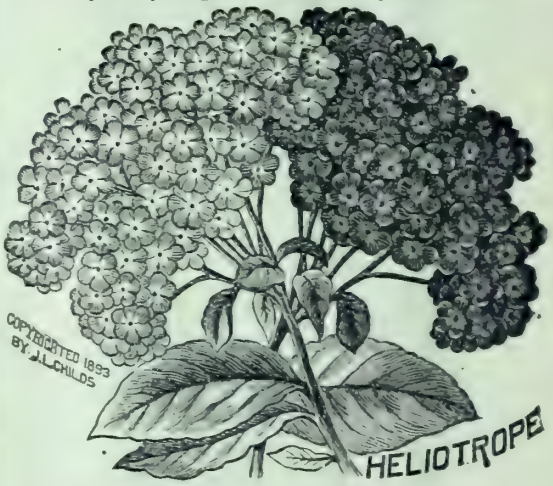


The Moss Verbena.

This new Verbena produces a mass of fine moss-like foliage, and as the branches spread out over the ground in all directions a lovely carpet of mossy green is formed, above which are borne the delicate clusters of purple-blue blossoms in the wildest profusion. The effect is most charming. It is more hardy and robust than most Verbenas, and blooms in a very short time from seed. It is so desirable, novel and beautiful that it must be classed as one of the great acquisitions of the year. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts. for 25c.

Violet-Scented Pansies.

This new type is a cross between the Pansy and the Violet, combining the ideal properties of each. The flowers are much larger than the Violet, more like Pansies, but with the delicious fragrance of the former. The flowers are also quite free from central rays and markings and the habit of the plant is decidedly dwarf and compact, producing its flowers on long foot-stalks, and they appear continually from early spring until late fall. The plants possess to a considerable extent the hardy and robust nature of the Violet, and make splendid pot as well as garden plants. This unique strain originated with Dr. Stuart, of Chirnside, England, and was named by him "Violetta." They are now called "Tufted Pansies," "Miniature Pansies," and "Violet-Scented Pansies." The latter name seems to us to be the most appropriate. The range of color runs through white, buff, canary, and azure blue, and the coloring of each is exceedingly delicate and charming. A most important novelty and one in which all admirers of the Pansy and Violet will be especially delighted. Pkt., 25c.; 2 pkts. for 40c.



Early Flowering Heliotrope.

A strain of Heliotrope which grows readily and rapidly from seed, blooming in a short time, and is as easily raised as Pansies, Balsams or Zinnias. They bloom abundantly in the garden all summer, or all the year round in pots. The panicles of bloom are often six inches across while the colors range from indigo-black through all shades of blue to almost pure white. In fragrance they seem to surpass the ordinary Heliotrope. A packet of this seed will furnish you a bed of flowers for your garden or lawn which would cost several dollars were you to purchase the plants. Pkt., 15c.; 3 pkts., 30c.

These are the most beautiful, unique, and the highest priced Ornamental Shrubs to be had, hence they are seldom seen. We have secured from Japan this year a quantity of seed saved from all the finest varieties, (of which there are hundreds,) from which our customers can grow a fine lot at little expense. When small they make most charming pot plants, the varied colors and patterns of the leaves making them highly attractive. As they get larger they may be planted permanently on the lawn as they are hardy, where they will make most beautiful objects. The leaves of the various sorts range in color from dark crimson to pink, green, white, etc., many being beautifully variegated and mottled. Besides their fine colors they are most beautifully cut and divided, as shown above. Pkt., 15c.; 3 for 40c.

FREESIAS.

Giant Freesias.

It is not generally known that these beautiful, fragrant flowering plants may be grown to great perfection in four months from seed. Seed may be sown at any time in pots, and boxes, or frames of light, rich soil. They will soon germinate, and under favorable circumstances they will bloom finely within four months from the time of sowing the seed. This is a new mammoth flowered strain from California. Blooms twice the size of other Freesias. 10c. pkt.

Giant Fancy Cosmos.

Since we introduced the Cosmos about ten years ago it has become the most popular fall flower, save only the Chrysanthemum. We now offer a new giant flowered strain of marvelous size and beauty. The individual flowers measure 4, 5 and even 6 inches across, and as they are borne on long, graceful stems the effect is most charming. The colors are also greatly improved, delicate shades of blush, pink, rich crimson, snow white, striped, etc., contrasting elegantly. Some are star-shaped, in others the petals are pinked, toothed or fringed, and in many beautifully overlapping.

Giant Fancy, Mixed Colors—No description can do justice to the beauty of this new strain. All colors mixed, including some rich dark red, not before seen. Per pkt. 20c.

Monster White—Snowy-white flowers, of most perfect form, with broad petals, some exquisitely fringed and others with plain edges. Per pkt., 20c.

Polyanthus Roses.

Roses in bloom in 60 days from time of sowing seed seems hardly creditable, yet such is a fact, and they may be had by anyone who will sow a packet of this seed. It germinates quickly and the little plants begin to bloom when only a few inches in height, and continue all the time. After the plant attains a fair growth the blooms appear in great clusters, as shown in the cut, hundreds of flowers appearing at one time. Bloom all summer in pots, or if planted in the garden they make a great growth and are always loaded with flowers. From a packet of seed one will get Roses of various colors, from white to crimson, some double, some single, but all very beautiful and fragrant. A most charming and unique novelty. Pkt., 20c. 3 pkts. for 50c.

GIANT FANCY COSMOS.

ZINNIA, GOLDBUG.

Zinnia, Goldbug.

This beautiful plant sprung from the old Zinnia Haagaana, and is a novelty of much merit. Plants do not grow over a foot high and branch freely into beautiful little compact bushes which are at all times covered with scores of beautiful golden yellow blossoms, as double as roses. Plants begin to bloom in June and continue until frost, each blossom keeping perfect a month. Grows as freely as a weed in any situation. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts for 25c.

Ipomœa Chrysantha.

(*Golden Moonflower.*)

A new golden yellow Moonflower, of remarkable beauty. Plant a free and rapid grower. Flowers large and freely produced. A great acquisition. Supply limited. Pkt., 20c.

New Yellow Carnation.

Countess de Paris—A new large flowering Carnation of the perpetual type, which blooms in a few months from seed. Color, pure yellow, and comes quite true. Habit, bushy and compact. Pkt., 15c.

Malmaison Carnation.

We have all heard of the wonderful Malmaison Carnation so cherished in England, but never seen in America for the reason that it is so hard to propagate. An enterprising florist in Europe has succeeded in raising a quantity of the seed of this renowned Carnation, which we have secured. Plants will bloom in three or four months from the time of sowing. The flowers are simply enormous in size, perfectly double, of a delicate blush color and strong clove fragrance. Growth very stout with large luxuriant foliage. No other carnation can compare with this variety. The packet which we give contains 40 or 50 seeds, all of which will not come true, but if only one plant of Malmaison is secured it is a prize well worth a dollar. Pkt., 20c.; 3 for 50c.

EVERBEARING BUSH STRAWBERRY.

Alpine Everbearing Strawberries.

All easily grown from seed, and fruit well the second and sometimes the first, year. These are very fine, and no garden is complete without them. They are great and continuous bearers, fruiting abundantly from June until October, and are the very best for home use where something fine is wanted. They are of the most delicious flavor, highly aromatic, and are easily grown from seed. These Strawberries, particularly the Bush varieties, will prove very novel and interesting as well as useful.

Red Alpine—Long, dark crimson, high, aromatic flavor, great yielder. Pkt., 10c.

White Alpine—Same as the above, but a beautiful yellowish white in color. Pkt., 10c.

Black Alpine—A black strawberry which will bear enormous crops all season long in any climate; fruit possesses the delightful flavor of the wild Alpines; will grow readily from seed, and produce true to name. Pkt., 20c.

Everbearing Red Bush—A wonderful berry, having no runners, but growing into immense stool plants; fruit similar to Red Alpine; enormous yielder, single plants in this State having yielded one pint of berries at a picking in November. Fine for borders, as they throw out no runners, and are singularly beautiful when loaded with their dense crops of fruit; grow easily from seed. Pkt., 20c.

Everbearing White Bush—Same as above only the fruit is white. Pkt., 20c.

One packet each of 5 sorts for 60c. **Mixed Seed,** *25c. per pkt.*

African Horned, or Climbing Cucumber.

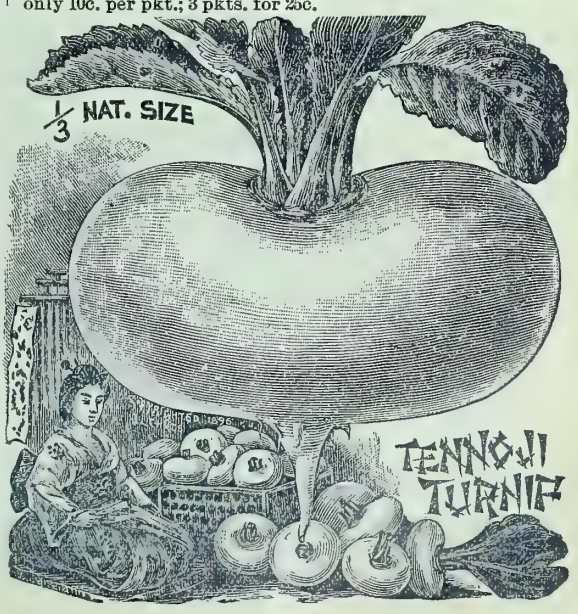
A few years ago a missionary in central Africa sent us seed of a very peculiar, cucumber-like vine which he found growing there. One plant was raised which was given an abundance of trellis room in the garden. It produced a surprising amount of vine, which bore abundantly, and attracted a great deal of attention as an ornamental climber. When the fruit was ripe and cut open for the seed it was found to resemble a Cucumber in looks and taste. Next year a large crop was grown and it was discovered that the fruit when green, or about the size of a hen's egg, was by far the most tender and delicious of anything in the Cucumber line heretofore seen. It certainly has many fine qualities. The vine is a rapid grower, and will climb freely to a considerable height on trellis or screen, or it may be allowed to trail over the ground. The fruit, which is borne profusely all summer, is a deep sea-green color, but when ripe turns to a dark orange-scarlet. When fully grown it is the size of a small Muskmelon, oblong and covered with protruding points or horns. For eating it should be taken before it is too old, like any other Cucumber. In quality it is simply luscious, having the pure cucumber flavor in a degree of delicacy and refinement not before seen. It is exceedingly tender and seems to melt in one's mouth, and consequently easily digested. We cannot speak too highly of it. Pkt., 20c.; 3 pkts. for 50c.

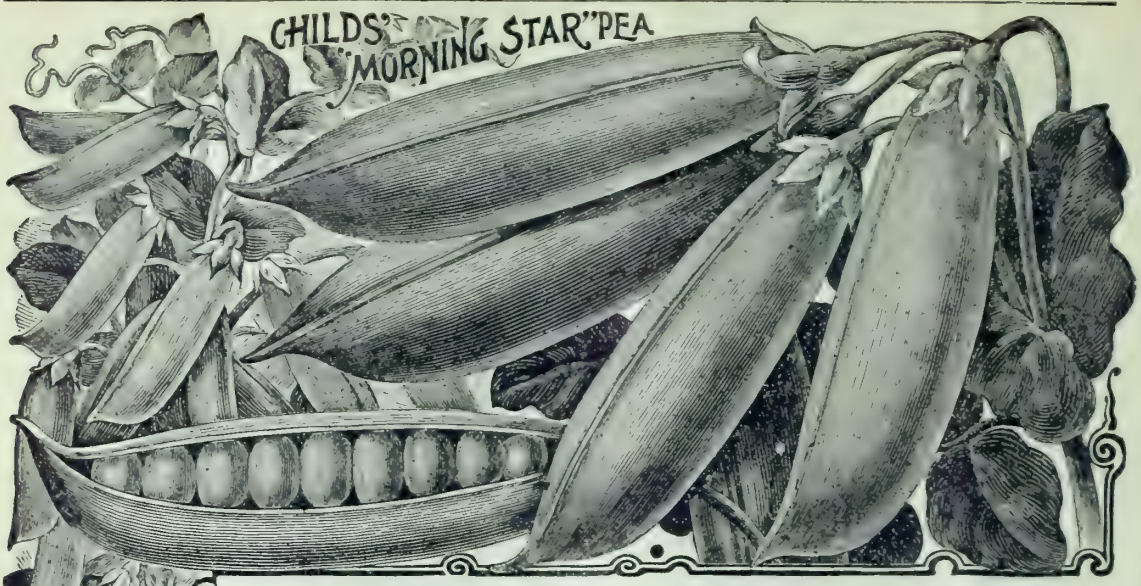
New Japanese Turnip, Tennoji.

Japan has for years been sending us charming new flowers and trees, but lately she has taken to vegetables; the result of which is a new mammoth Radish, and this enormous Turnip. We hope that other novelties as important as these may follow. The Tennoji Turnip is a mammoth flat variety of excellent quality. It is impossible to say just how large it will grow under favorable conditions, but the Japanese claim is something incredible. Here in our trial grounds under the disadvantage of a crowded test-bed it has grown to the largest dimensions we have ever seen in a Turnip. Finest seed, just imported from Japan, 10c. per pkt.; 3 pkts. for 25c.; oz., 35c.

New Striped Tomato, Diadem.

Here we at last have what leading horticulturists all over the world have devoted years to producing. A tomato of high quality with a beautifully striped or variegated skin. Can you imagine anything more unique? Diadem is a tomato of medium size, perfect shape, high quality and of a deep ruby red, the rich dark color of the skin being broken with stripes and spots of old gold, the beautiful effect of which is admirably shown in above cut. This most unique novelty is still better represented on colored plate in the January (1897) Mayflower, where it is reviewed as one of the important novelties of the year. Not only is it beautiful, but in points of excellence in other respects it is quite up to Picture Rock, which is now the standard of perfection. As all our customers will want this fine novelty, we offer it at only 10c. per pkt.; 3 pkts. for 25c.





Pea, Childs' Morning Star.

A New Wrinkled Pea, Earlier by Nearly a Week than Any of the Small Round Varieties.

This was the greatest vegetable novelty of 1894. It is the earliest Pea grown by nearly a week. It is a fair sized, wrinkled variety, and, therefore, possesses the same delicious quality of the late wrinkled kinds. For the first time the fine quality of the late varieties is combined with extreme earliness. When this is once tried no other early Pea will be grown. Added to its other qualities it is exceedingly prolific and continues to bear longer than other early sorts. It grows 18 to 20 inches high and does not require bushing.

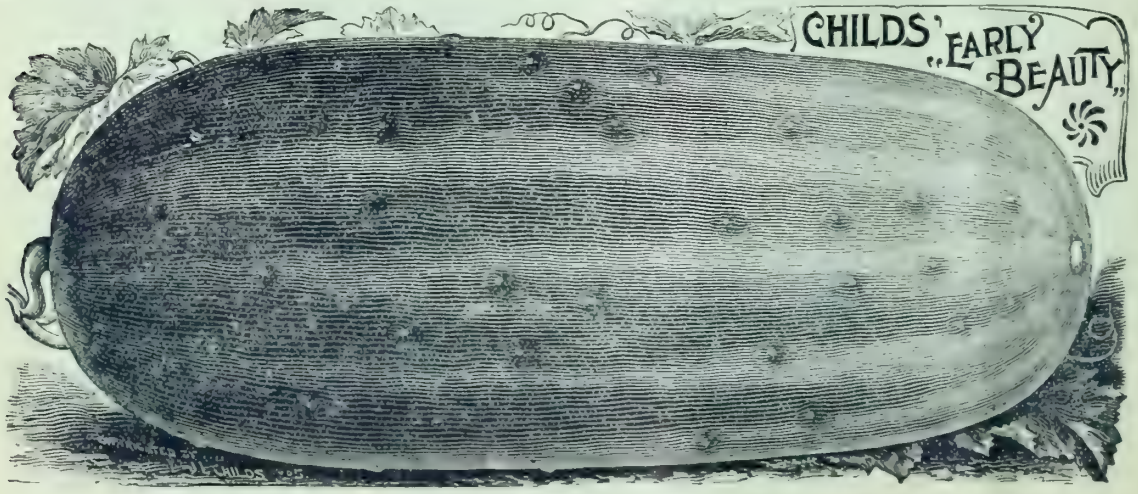
Mr. William Falconer, gardener to Charles A. Dana, and editor of *Gardening*, says: "I ought to tell you about the 'Morning Star' wrinkled pea you let me try here two years ago. I sowed it in single rows in light, warm soil about the end of March when I sowed round peas and Alpha and American Wonder. It astonished me by its earliness, coming in ahead; and it is a good cropper and of fine quality. Better still, it is the most reliable wrinkled pea for fall use—sown August 1st—that I have ever grown."

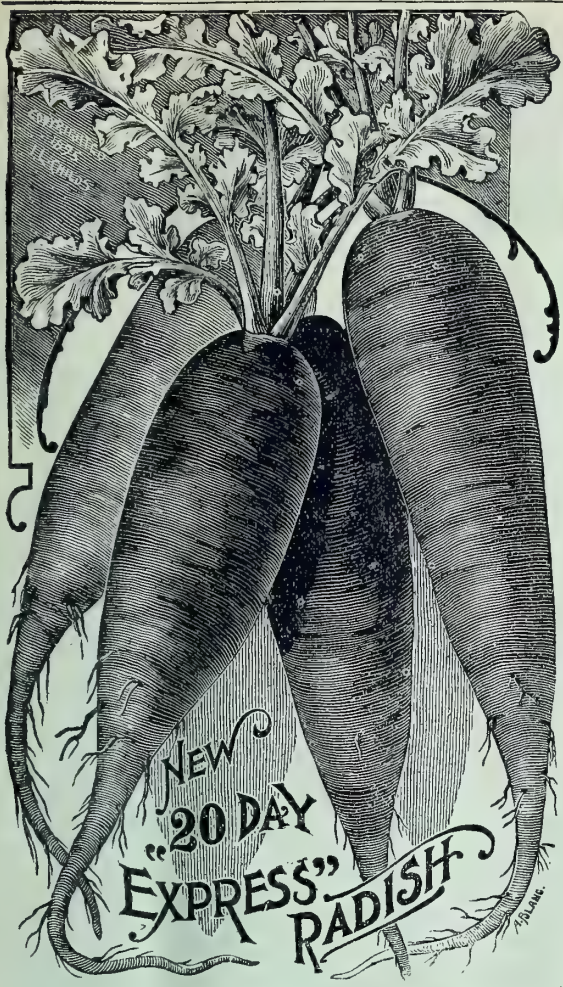
Mr. J. Goody, of Clan, Suffolk, England, writes: "Your pea, Morning Star, beats any pea in England for a first crop."

The supply of this wonderful Pea is limited and we can offer it only in small quantity. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.; pint, 35c.; quart, 60c. By express or freight, $1.25 per peck, $4.50 per bushel.

Cucumber, Childs' Early Beauty.

A most remarkable and valuable early Cucumber, first offered last year. It is a sport from Early Siberian, and has that variety's great value as a cropper. It is as early as Extra Early Russian though twice as large as that variety, and keeps its lively green color to a very late stage of growth, and will supplant all other early sorts, such as Siberian, Russian, Green Prolific, Thorburn's Everbearing, etc., for it is not only earlier, but larger and much finer in every respect. It is even so fine that it has been called Early White Spine, though it has no relation to that superb late variety. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkt., 25c.; oz., 35c.; lb., $3.00.





Twenty-Day Express Radish.

Is fit for the table in twenty days from the time of sowing the seed, and is fully grown in twenty-five days, at which time the Radish is about one inch in diameter at the top, three inches in length, and tapering to a point. Color brightest, richest scarlet, tipped with white. Quality very mild, crisp and delicious. By far the best flavored Radish we have yet seen, and the most desirable for table use. In our estimation this is the finest, and without doubt the earliest Radish in cultivation. It seems to combine all good points—earliness, beauty, good size and superior quality. Really a great acquisition. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $3.00.

GOLDEN NUGGET.

EGG PLANT, PEARL.

Water Melon, Golden Nugget.

A new melon of a beautiful golden color; beautiful beyond imagination. Very delicious quality. Flesh crimson, sweet and juicy, with small seed. The golden colored rind makes this a most superb novelty. Pkt., 15c.

Egg Plant, Pearl.—(*White.*)

This new pure white egg plant is a most beautiful vegetable, as well as the finest in quality of all egg plants. Very tender, delicate and highly flavored. A great novelty which we regret we cannot give more space to. Pkt., 10c.

Radish, Sakurajima Mammoth.

One of the good new things from Japan. In our trial grounds last year this proved to be a very fine novelty indeed. It is of very quick growth, reaching an enormous size in a short time. Color pure white, almost like a piece of ivory. Very crisp and tender and of remarkably mild and pleasant flavor. Most people at once pronounce it to be the ideal table radish. It certainly is as far as beauty and quality goes. Pkt. 10c.; oz., 40c.

Our 16 Flower Seed Novelties for $1.75.

For only $1.75 we will supply the 16 Flower Seed Novelties, one packet of each, which amount to $2.55 and are as follows:

Verbesena Occidentalis,	Heliotrope, Early Flowering,
Begonia, Dwarf Vernon,	Japanese Maples,
Yellow Morning Glory,	Giant Fancy Cosmos, Mixed,
Shoe-Fly Plant,	Polyanthus Rose,
Cupid Sweet Pea,	Zinnia, Goldbug,
Luffa, Early Fruiting,	Carnation, Malmaison,
Moss Verhena,	" Yellow,
Violet Scented Pansy,	Ipomœa, Chrysantha.

These Novelties make a splendid collection of new flowers.

Our 10 Vegetable Novelties for $1.00.

For only $1.00 we will supply the following 10 Vegetable Seed Novelties, which amount at regular rates to $1.35:

Cucumber, Horned or Climbing,	Radish, 20 Day Express,
Cucumber, Early Beauty,	" Sakurajima Mam'th,
Tomato, Diadem,	Watermelon, Golden Nugget,
Turnip, Tennoji,	Egg Plant, Pearl,
Pea, Morning Star,	Strawberry, Alpine Everbearing, Mixed.

Both Collections for $2.50, and a packet each of Chinese Lantern Plant and Giant White Scented Snapdragon thrown in.

CHINESE LANTERN PLANT.

(*Physalis Franchetti.*)

A most magnificent plant for the garden during summer, or for pots both summer and winter, and a useful fruit. Not in years has so unique and novel a plant been introduced, or one which combines so thoroughly great beauty and usefulness. We enumerate its good qualities as follows:

1st. Treated like a Tomato it grows and fruits freely from seed the first season, yet the plants are perennial and may be wintered in the cellar or grown in pots as a window plant.

2nd. The plant produces numerous, large, inflated husks, much the shape of Chinese lanterns, at first a beautiful green color, changing to a yellowish hue and then to brightest scarlet, and as they hang suspended among the green foliage they present a most novel and strikingly beautiful appearance. Autumn frosts do not injure foliage or fruit, and it is a showy plant long after all others are killed.

3rd. In these husks, or "lanterns," a fruit is borne much like a Winter Cherry or Husk Tomato, except that in color it is a deep ruby-red and is in every way superior to the Winter Cherry, either for cooking, preserving or eating raw, and keeps well into the winter.

4th. Branches of "lanterns" cut and dried retain their rich and brilliant color, and make most beautiful winter bouquets when used with dried grasses or leaves.

The plant grows from 1½ to 2 feet in height, clothed with luxuriant foliage among which is suspended an abundance of bright "lanterns" all the time. An elegant pot plant. We can supply both seed and strong plants. Seed, 20c. per pkt.; 3 pkts. for 50c. Fine plants, 30c. each; 4 for $1.00.

Giant White Scented Snapdragon.

This remarkable new plant has in one season jumped to foremost place among choice winter-blooming plants. No novelty in our greenhouses has attracted the attention or received praise equal to this. It is a perpetual bloomer, compact and branching in habit, sending up flower spikes by the dozen, one to two feet in length, almost as large and more beautiful than Gladiolus. Color, pure white, with lemon tinged throat, and of lovely fragrance. Flowers keep two weeks after being cut. It has created a sensation in the New York flower market. Fine plants, 25c. each; 3 for 60c. Extra large plants, by express, 50c. each. Seed, 15c per pkt.

Giant Yellow—Exactly like the above except in color, which is a beautiful canary yellow. 30c. each; 2 for 50c. Seed 20c. per pkt.

One plant of each color for 50c. One pkt. seed of each, 30c.

SPECIALTIES AND NOVELTIES.

The choicest and best Bulbs and Plants of recent introduction are offered here. They are worthy of special attention, and our friends will do well to add many of them to their collection of floral treasures. During the last ten years we have led the world in the introduction of valuable Plant and Bulb Novelties.

Otaheite Orange.

MOST UNIQUE POT PLANT IN CULTIVATION.

An extra fine pot plant, with glossy green leaves, the true fragrant orange blooms and abundant little bright oranges that will hang on the little bush like balls of gold for six months after they are ripe. They will bloom and fruit in a two-inch pot; and we have seen a plant in a common window, that was but 15 inches high, and had 23 oranges on it. With good sunlight they are never out of fruit from one year's end to another, and at least two-thirds of the time are in flower also. The fruit is very sweet and handsome. Could we have but one plant in our window it would be an Otaheite Orange. In beauty, grace and fragrance there is nothing like its delicate leafy sprays of bloom, so indescribable, exquisite, dainty, lovely and adorable. Fine plants for blooming and fruiting at once. *20c. each; 3 for 50c.; extra large by express, 40c.*

Thyrsacanthus Rutilans.

We read in Gardeners' Chronicle: "Of all the plants that bloom in winter and spring, the most graceful and beautiful and best adapted for indoor decoration, is Thyrsacanthus. As a table plant its tubular blooms on long (20-inch) thread-like branches, show to great advantage. Considering its easy growth and the length of time it lasts in bloom, it is just one of those plants that should have a place in every collection, however choice." To say that the plant has fulfilled all expectations is to keep within the truth. It was described and pictured as bearing racemes of flowers six to eight inches long, yet the plant before us is covered with sprays over 20 inches in length, all garnished with flowers of the brightest carmine. It is a good plant in every meaning of the word. *25c. each; extra large plants, by express, 50c. each.*

THYRSACANTHUS.

Japanese Tree Pæonies.

The most magnificent flower one can have in June. The new sorts which we imported a few years ago bear flowers more than a foot across, very double and of the brightest color, from white to intense scarlet, pink, mottled, variegated, etc. We have over thirty named kinds. Price, $1.00 each; $10.00 per dozen, by express. They are too large to mail, and will bloom this spring.

Rhyncospermum Jasminoides.

A most beautiful plant with glossy evergreen foliage, and producing in the greatest profusion the most delicate, sweet-scented Jasmine-like flowers of the purest white. A well-grown plant will be completely smothered with flowers as our cut indicates. It blooms when very small, and we have seen cuttings only two or three inches long bearing clusters of perfect flowers. *25c. each; 3 for 60c.*

THIS COLORED PLATE REPRESENTS OUR

Abutilon, Infanta Eulalia.

It would be difficult to find a more unique flowering plant than this. Unlike the ordinary Abutilon of scraggy growth it is very compact and short jointed, making a very neat pot plant. The flowers are the most beautiful we have seen among Abutilons, being very large yet short and beautifully cupped, and of the most lovely pale satin-pink color imaginable. It produces its flowers by the score both summer and winter. It is safe to say that this plant will produce five times as many flowers as any other Abutilon under the same conditions. See page 37. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Our Great Surprise Collection.

Larger and Finer This Year Than Ever Before.
$4.00 or $5.00 Worth of the Choicest
Flowers for only $1.00.

We are obliged to grow enormous stocks of all kinds of Plants, Bulbs and Seeds, generally more than is necessary, to make sure of having enough. It is our custom, after the heavy spring business is about over, in May, to take the surplus stock of various good things, make it into "Surprise" Collections, and offer them to our customers, giving them four or five times the value of their money. In fact, the "Surprise" is in the great amount of fine things one gets for the money paid. These collections cannot be sent out until about the middle of May, and will be entirely of our own selection, from kinds of which we have a surplus. No collection will be made up for less than ONE DOLLAR, and from that up to any amount the purchaser may desire. They will be sent free, by mail, unless desired by express, and in that case we can send very much more for the money than by mail. All "Surprise" Collections ordered previous to May 15th will be booked and shipped then, but we can continue sending them up to the first of July. We advise our friends to invest a dollar or more in this collection. We can guarantee that all will be pleased.

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Floral Park, N. Y.

WATER HYACINTH.

Rare Aquatics.

The following are the very best Water Lilies and other aquatics for tub or pond culture. Notice our low prices for some very rare sorts.

Water Hyacinth—Each plant is a rosette-like cluster of smooth, round green leaves, to each of which is attached a singular puffed bladder-like petiole or leaf-stalk that enables the plant to float like a boat, until the mass of feathery indigo-blue roots—themselves a notable feature in this plant—find mooring to their notion and send anchoring roots into the soil below. When the long full spikes of superlatively beautiful flowers appear, no praise can be too high for them. Each flower in the spike is the size of a silver dollar. A blending of lilac-rose and azure blue tints, with the upper and slightly hooded petal blotched a deep metallic blue, with golden spot in the center, and sparkling in the sun as though sprinkled with diamond dust. Grows well in open vessels in the window, or in tubs, or pools out of doors. Blooms best in full sun. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.

Mariacea Chromatella—In our opinion this is the most lovely of all Water Lilies. It will commence blooming in May and show flowers every day until October. It will thrive in a pond, stream, pool, or even a water pail, and bloom well. Perfectly hardy. Flowers large and double, and of the most lovely chrome yellow shade ever seen. It has a delicacy and beauty unequaled by any other sort. Leaves large and very handsome. Fine plants for blooming at once. 50c. each.

Mexicana—(GOLDEN WATER LILY.) A lovely golden yellow Pond Lily, much like Odorata, except in color. The leaves also show a brown variegation over the ground work of green. Very fragrant and profuse, blooming all summer 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.

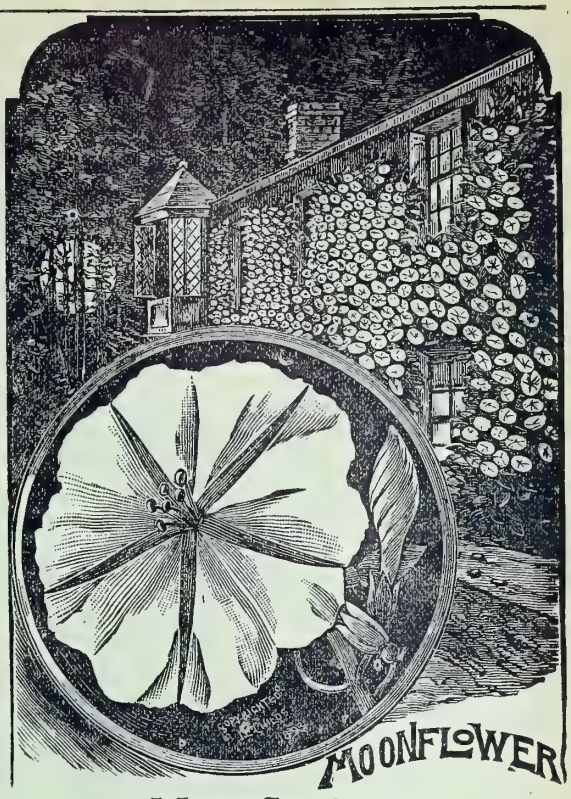
Odorata Gigantea—We do not offer the common Pond Lily Nymphæa Odorata, as this new form has all of its exquisite beauty and fragrance, together with double its size and more deeply cupped flowers. The lovely center of quivering golden stamens, so much admired in the old Pond Lily, is more than twice as large in this variety, giving it a very distinct and charming appearance, its waxen, white flowers, six to eight inches across, being indescribably pure and lovely. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Parrot's Feather—A lovely mossy water plant, with long trailing stems covered with plumy, feathery foliage of the freshest, lovliest green imaginable. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Water Poppy—A thrifty plant, with pretty, cheerful blossoms of a bright lemon color, large size, and produced freely all summers. Can be grown in tub, bucket or pond with the greatest of ease. It is exceedingly showy, owing to its size, pretty color, and great masses of bloom. 20c.

Aponogeton Distachyon—A new perpetual-blooming aquatic plant of peculiar beauty and fragrance. 30c.

Nelumbium or Lotus—The Egyptian or Sacred Lotus, one of the grandest of all water plants, thriving in rich mud and shallow water, throwing up great clumps that stand three to six feet above the water. We have three sorts, Speciosum, pink; Album, white, and Luteum, yellow. Price, $1.00 each; or the 3 for $2.50.



Moonflowers.

The most popular quick growing vine in cultivation. Its rapid, luxuriant growth, its thick, overlapping, glossy foliage, and its nightly scores of immense, silky blooms of rare fragrance, are merits that cannot be over estimated. By actual count, a strong vine will bear one to three thousand of its superb blooms in a season. Very fine for piazzas, arbors, etc.

Ipomœa Noctiphiton—Grand foliage and magnificent snow-white blooms, four or five inches across. Stands drouth like a Salamander. Give it rich soil if possible. Fine plants, 15c. each; 4 for 50c. Seed, 10c. per packet.

Ipomœa Learei—A large vine, but not quite so rank growing. Flowers of a lovely azure blue, with faint crimson bars. Texture almost as delicate as the spider's web. Lovely beyond description. 20c each; 3 for 50c. Seed, 10c. per packet.

Ipomœa Mexicana—In a sheltered location, the blossoms of this remain open all day. Almost as large as Ipomœa Noctiphiton. It has a large tuberous root, that can be preserved over winter like the Dahlia, and this gives the plant a strong and early start each spring. Very handsome and graceful airy foliage, deeply incised or palmated. The blossoms are of an indescribable rosy crimson with a shade of violet or blue and are very beautiful, resembling rich satin. 20c. each.

Pandurata, or Hardy Tuberous-Rooted Moonflower—This will stand a year's drouth without a murmur. An immense subterranean root, weighing sometimes a hundred pounds, sustains the vine through any vicissitude of weather, until frost kills the vine to the ground. Each year it springs up stronger than before, until it becomes a large luxuriant vine, clothed with a luxuriant growth of pretty cordate leaves, and bearing great quantities, yes, thousands of large, thick-textured waxy flowers of a rich creamy-white, with a throat of violet-purple. It will grow in any soil, no matter how poor, and its blossoms remain open all day, unlike other Ipomœas. It is perfectly hardy in any climate, and a vine which will cover an enormous amount of space. 25c. each; 5 for $1.

Giant Pink Hybrid—A Hybrid Pink Moonflower of marvelous growth. Seeds germinate very quickly and plants begin to bloom about as soon as a Morning Glory. The blooms are produced by the thousand all summer and fall. The vine makes a most rapid growth and covers more space than any other Moonflower, or other annual vine. It branches freely and its foliage is large, dense and luxuriant. The blossoms open about four o'clock in the afternoon and do not close until about noon the next day. Color, soft, lilac-pink. Seed, 10c. per packet.

Mixed Moonflower Seed—Fine mixed seed of all the Moonflowers here offered, 10c. per packet.

Plumbago.

Ought to be in every home in the land. Easy to grow, and if pinched a little occasionally is always in bloom, with lovely clusters of soft phlox-like flowers. Exceedingly delicate and handsome.

Larpentae—Hardy. A most beautiful shade of blue. 15c.

Capensis Blue—Scarcely another flower has its color: a clear, soft, baby-blue, or palest azure. 20c.

Capensis Alba—Like the above, but white. 20c.

Coccinea—New and superb. Flowers borne in very large, long, pointed clusters, and are of the most intense rosy scarlet color. Quite new and a plant of wonderful beauty. We are fortunate in having a large stock of this grand variety to offer our customers at a reasonable price. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

One plant each of above 4 Plumbagos for only 50c.

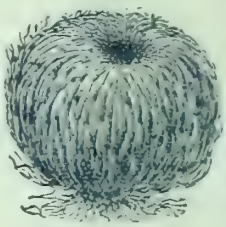
Heliotrope, Picciola.

A new dwarf, large flowering variety. Plant robust with fine healthy foliage, but a dwarf, compact grower, making it particularly desirable as a pot plant. Flowers which are of a fine violet blue color with large white center, are of enormous size, and borne in immense panicles; nothing like it ever before seen. In bloom all the time; exceedingly fragrant. Finest variety known. 25c. each; 3 for 60c. *Extra large by express, 50c. each.*

NEW DWARF JUSTICIA.

New Dwarf Justicia.

This new dwarf Justicia is really a much finer plant than our engraving suggests. Everyone knows the tall, lanky, straggling habit of the old Justicia Rosea. This new sort, which is now grown so extensively by Parisian florists, begins to bloom when the plant has only three or four leaves, and is never out of flower afterward. If pinched back occasionally it makes a very dwarf, stocky plant, frequently covered with 20 to 50 large pink flower-heads, lasting a long time. The foliage is also more persistent and highly ornamental, being heavy in texture and very velvety. It's the plant for everybody to grow in quantity. It was lately shown at the National Horticultural Society's exhibition at Paris, and, at Ghent, a plant with 50 flower spikes received well-merited awards. 30c. each. *Extra large by express, 60c.*



RESURRECTION PLANT.

Resurrection Plant.

This is something that always interests the children and the older folks alike. There is a shrunken rounded ball of tightly folded leaflets, dry and dead. We drop it in a bowl of tepid water, and soon one frond-like tip curls slowly outward, then another and another, until in a short time there is floating in the dish a beautiful metallic-green plant; a great, loose, expanded rosette of fine fern-like leaves both odd and beautiful. This experiment can be repeated many times, the plant curling tightly together when dry, and expanding when soaked in water. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

German Iris.

GERMAN IRIS.

Another good old flower, as handsome as an Orchid, now to be found in many new colors. A striking flower of crepe-like texture and most exquisite coloring, the gauzy veining reminding one of the delicate tracing of the butterfly's wing. We grow acres of Iris, and know you can find no finer list of varieties than the one here presented. They bloom in May and June, when there is a dearth of really fine flowers, and are out of bloom before Iris Kaempferi commences.

Fine Mixed Sorts—A lovely collection of all colors. Will all bloom finely the first summer. 6 for 40c.; 12 for 75c.

Named Sorts—A collection of ten sorts, named, for 75c.

Sauromatum Simlense.

A rare and curious garden bulb, with odd flower and luxuriant Palm-like foliage. The spathe of this Calla-shaped flower is two feet in length, with tapering point, and is of very large size. Color of blooms, green on outside, inside yellow spotted with purple. Foliage very large, luxuriant like a Palm. A rare and curious plant which will create a genuine sensation. Plant out in open ground quite early, or by corn planting time. 30c. each.

Figs.

A popular and easily kept tub plant that will beautify the lawn or veranda all summer and winter safely in the cellar. Good growers, with a luxuriant growth of large, wide leaves, and bearing at a year old an abundance of sweet, pulpy fruit, unsurpassed for eating fresh. They are also very fine for preserving or pickling, or to dry. South of the Middle States can be grown in the open ground. Here on Long Island they are hardy outdoors if protected during winter. Nothing is more luscious than Figs fresh from the tree, especially when eaten with cream, like Strawberries.

Brown Turkey—Large, oblong, dark brown; rich and delicate flavor; very productive, often bearing three crops in a season. A two-year-old tree of this sort bore over two hundred fine figs this season. Best Fig for pots. 25c. each. *Extra large, by express, 50c. each.*

The Strawberry Guava.

A beautiful pot plant, with shining evergreen foliage that resembles Camellia leaves, and handsome fruit nearly the size of a walnut, and of a fine strawberry-like flavor. The fruit makes the finest and most nutritious jelly that there is and blooms and fruits continuously the year around. It must be considered as useful as ornamental. A very heavy bearer, and the fruit is very handsome. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

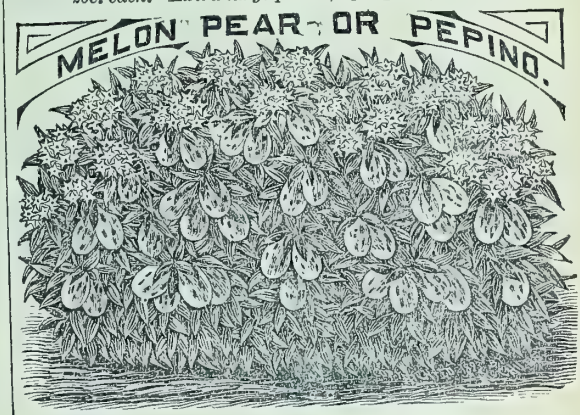
Swainsonia, or Swanflower.

A new plant for winter blooming which surpasses any novelty that has been brought out in many years. In fact, it will be hard to name a plant now in cultivation which can equal it in beauty and general good qualities. It has a most beautiful fern-like foliage and blooms perpetually every day in the year, its blossoms being the shape and nearly the size of Sweet Peas, and borne in great clusters of twenty to forty. These clusters appear at the axils of the leaves, and a single branch shows many clusters of blooms at all times. The plant is a free and rapid grower, beginning to bloom in three or four weeks from cuttings, and continuing for years. It is easier to grow and manage than a Geranium, thriving in any soil and in any window, and is a superb bedding plant for the garden in summer. We believe there is no plant so easy to grow, nor one that thrives and blooms under all conditions as does this charming Swanflower.

Pure White—Large, milky white; exquisite.

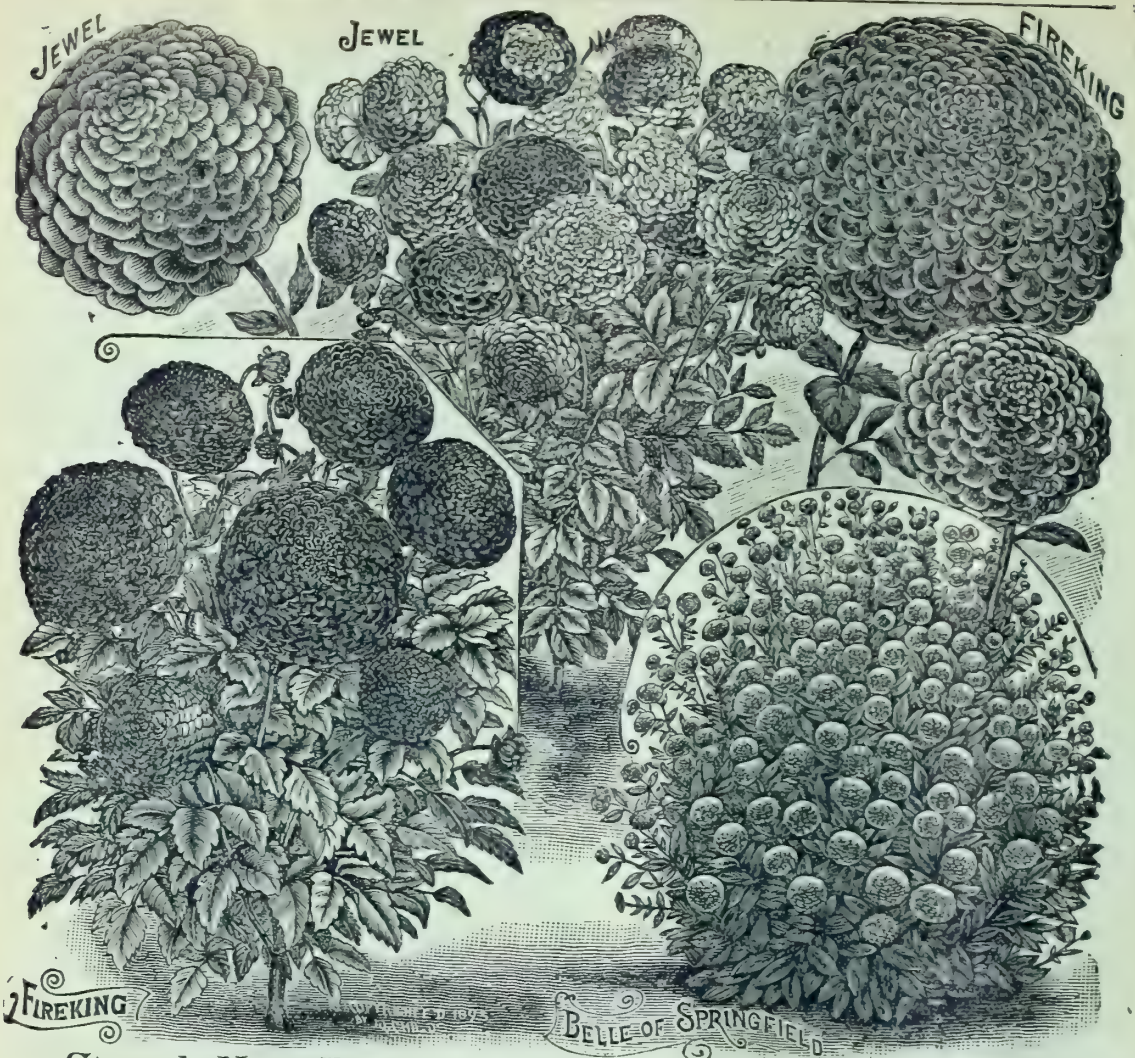
Deep Red—Fine dark red, with large white blotches.

20c. each. Extra large plants, by express, 40c. each.



Melon Pear, or Pepino.

A rapid-growing, dark-leaved plant, blooming when quite small. The fruit is the size and shape of a goose egg, and very handsome; in color a pale lemon mottled with waves of bright violet. Inside the fruit resembles a pear, and tastes something like a banana, but is much sweeter and juicier. Very ornamental when in flower and fruit. An elegant pot plant; also fine for the garden. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



Superb New Dahlias.

These 14 new Dahlias, of recent introduction, are, in our estimation, the finest in cultivation.

Price, 25c. each; 5 for $1.00, the 14 for $2.50.

Belle of Springfield—This is a real gem. It is exceedingly dwarf, branching freely and forming a very compact, bushy plant, not over two feet in height, though it blooms from the time it is six inches high. Five hundred blossoms have been counted at one time on a fair-sized plant, while one hundred blossoms is the usual number which a plant shows at all times. The flowers are 1½ inches across, bright scarlet in color, perfectly double, and imbricated to the very center. It is the most lovely flowering plant imaginable, and equaly valuable for growing in the garden or in pots. It blooms profusely all summer and long into winter, if potted.

C. H. Janker—Exactly like the above except in color, which is a warm buff yellow. Contrasts beautifully.

Camelliaflora—Very distinct: unlike any other white Dahlia whatever. Plant, a robust grower, with the long stemmed flowers poised high above it and around it like snow-white birds just ready to alight. Flowers of alabaster whiteness, with long-toothed and quilled petals, their shape perfection. It is easily the very finest white Dahlia in cultivation.

Lyonia—Much like Camelliaflora, except the flowers stems are not quite so long, and the color of the large, perfect blossoms is a soft, sweet, sea-shell pink, a color as rare as it is beautiful.

Pure King—Superb, immense flowers of deepest scarlet, glowing like fire. An early bloomer, and every flower is perfection itself.

M. Bruant—(White Fire King.) Exactly like the above except pure white, contrasting finely.

Floral Park Jewel—The most beautiful Dahlia in cultivation. Flowers of many colors, from deep maroon to blush white, including beautiful spotted and variegated forms, are borne in great profusion on the same plant at the same time. In fact, a plant will hardly ever produce two flowers alike. Blush-white, crimson-maroon, white suffused with maroon, maroon suffused with white, crimson-red, purple spotted, marked or marbled with white, spotted, marbled and striped with maroon, pink or crimson, or several colors suffused in an odd and irregular way. Often one-half of the flower will be white and the other half maroon, or the center white while the outer half will be deep crimson maroon. The exceeding beauty of a plant loaded with flowers and each one of a different color, can be better imagined than described. The blossoms are perfectly double, large and of perfect shape, and borne by the hundred.

Jamaica—An enormous flower, like Fire King, of a bright magenta-red color. One of the very largest and best.

Emperor—(Black.) Flower of gigantic size, petals wide, shape perfect, double to the very center, and a great bloomer. Color is a fine coal-black, odd and beautiful beyond conception. This new Dahlia is a real sensation.

Double Floret—A grand Dahlia which may be said to be a *double double*, as it has two florets in place of one, one snugly rolled inside the other. The flower is therefore more perfectly double than any other, and is a great beauty. Color, rosy scarlet.

Nymphæa—Like a lovely pink Water Lily. Extremely beautiful and novel.

Carnet—Large beautiful flower of a rich plum or garnet.

Souvenir—Lovely variegated blossoms. Scarlet and white.

Argentia Variegata—The leaves of this fine Dahlia are beautifully variegated with white, making it a most conspicuous and attractive plant.

(For choice Dahlia Seed, see page 57)

Callas.

Several important new Callas are here offered. The Little Gem is a perfect wonder, and everbody should have it.

Little Gem—All that need be said about this sterling novelty is that it is a perfect miniature Calla, growing 8 or 12 inches high and producing perpetually very large snow-white blossoms. It begins to bloom when only a few inches high in a three or four inch pot, and a well-established plant in a large pot is never without flowers, summer or winter, and sometimes shows a dozen at once. The greatest plant novelty of late years and yet the sensation of the day. Our stock is TRUE, and the largest in the world. Cut shows the comparison of the Common Calla and Little Gem growing side by side The plant for everybody. 15c. each; 3 for 30c. *Extra large plants, by express, 30c. each; 3 for 60c.*

Childs' Dwarf Everblooming—Habit dwarf and compact, with handsome glossy foliage, and large snow-white flowers. The old Calla, as everyone knows, is a shy bloomer. This new sort is always in bloom, summer or winter, blooming for years without once ceasing. It can be grown in the open ground in summer, and lifted again in the fall, or it may be kept growing in pots all of the time. A great improvement as a pot plant over the old Calla, requiring less room and producing much larger and finer flowers and five times as many of them. Stock very scarce. 60c. each; 2 for $1. *Extra large plants, by express, $1 each.*

Common Calla—Fine strong plants, 25c. each.

Spotted Calla—Leaves finely spotted white. Flowers white with dark center. Makes a very pretty plant. Fine bulbs, 15c. each.

Yellow Calla—Same nature as the Spotted Calla, but with large golden-yellow blossoms with a black center. Very rare. $1.50 each.

Cannas.

These are now the most popular and most magnificent of all summer blooming plants for brilliant bedding and massing. Many, also, like Star of 1891, are among the very finest of all pot plants, either for summer or winter blooming. The following are among the very best of the many sorts now before the public.

Star of 1891—Introduced by us five years ago, and is still the finest of all dwarf-flowering Cannas, especially for pot culture. As a pot plant for blooming, both summer and winter this Canna is a novelty of immense importance. It has already become recognized as the most valuable and important flowering plant among those who know it. It is utterly impossible to have a plant which is more easily grown or more effective in bloom. The enormous panicles of flowers which are borne continually even on plants only a foot or two in height, and in small pots, is indeed marvelous, and the intense color of the blossoms makes such plants objects of the most effective beauty.

Alphonse Bouvier—Rich, luxuriant foliage and enormous panicles of great, wide-petaled flowers, which are of the darkest and richest blood vermilion color. One of the very finest.

Paul Marquant—3½ feet high, fine healthy growers, flowers very large and borne in long panicles. Color very peculiar, being sort of a salmon shaded red.

Alba Grandiflora—Flowers large, petals wide and pearly white, shading to pink in the center. A combination of color which is most delicate and charming, and unlike any other sort.

Florence Vaughan—The queen of the fancy spotted varieties. Flowers of enormous size, petals exceedingly broad and of perfect shape. Color bright canary yellow thickly spotted with vivid scarlet.

Mad. Crozy—Beautiful scarlet and gold; well known.

Ehemannl—Its wide Banana-like leaves are grand beyond description; its stately weeping habit perfection itself. To crown it all its great drooping spikes of trumpet-shaped Fuchsia-like flowers are a very striking color, lovely rosy scarlet.

Queen Charlotte—A magnificent variety with large scarlet petals widely bordered with gold. In fact the flower is about evenly divided between these two brilliant colors. No better sort yet introduced.

PRICE *of above superb sorts, only 15c. each; any 3 for 35c.; the 8 for 85c. Per dozen, $1.00; per 100, $5.00.*

Grand New Cannas.

The following are all new sorts of superior merit. The very finest among 100 recent introductions.

Alsaise—A vigorous grower, 4 feet, with large panicles of bloom. Spikes full, dense, and produced early and continuously. Color, lovely creamy white, the nearest to a pure white yet seen among Cannas.

Coronet—Semi-dwarf; bright green foliage and large trusses of pure sulphur-yellow flowers. Absolutely a pure yellow. Exceedingly fine.

Fairy Queen—Dwarf; great panicles of bright scarlet blossoms freely spotted and widely bordered with golden yellow. An extra fine sort.

Giant Crimson—Half dwarf; extra fine green foliage; petals 1½ to 2 inches across, dark orange-crimson spotted with deeper crimson or maroon. Very fine and showy variety.

Marigold—Flowers very large and of a rich orange color; foliage dense, glaucous green, two feet. A new and beautiful color.

Flamingo, or Favorite—Half dwarf; deep blood-crimson. Large fine flower and truss; very showy.

Philadelphia—Flowers gigantic in size, 5 to 6 inches across, deep, rich ruby-red; by far the finest of all red Cannas. Vigorous grower, 2 to 3 feet; luxuriant foliage. Extra.

Improved Queen Charlotte—Extra fine, and like the old variety, except larger and better colored.

Golden Star—Very dwarf, like Star of 1891, with large panicles of bright golden color. Finest and purest yellow.

Black Beauty—A tall grower with luxuriant leaves which are of a rich maroon-black color. Very effective as a foliage plant.

PRICE *of above grand new sorts, 25c. each; 5 for $1.00; the 10 for $1.75.*

Canna Seed.

Cannas grow readily from seed, and bloom in a few months. We can supply seed of Crozy's Dwarf Flowering, all colors, mixed, from finest named varieties, at 10c. and 20c. per packet.

For other Canna Seed see page 54.

New Giant Hybrid Cannas, "AUSTRIA" and "ITALIA."

An entirely new race of Cannas, the beauty of which no pen can portray They are such an improvement over the finest heretofore seen that all are left far in the shade. The combination is luxuriant foliage, with blossoms more than double the size of any other variety, and colors which are perfectly fascinating. Leaves Musa-like, almost upright, slightly recurving, bright green, clean and healthy. Stems rise to the height of 7 to 9 feet, well above the foliage, and bear monstrous clusters of bloom. Individual flowers 5 to 6 inches across, airy, graceful and perfect. Colors bright and striking. This novelty is the sensation of Europe.

Italia—Flowers very large, each petal 4 or 5 inches, and most beautifully colored, Brightest scarlet with a broad yellow border, irregularly blotched and spotted.

Austria—Enormous flowers, beautiful canary yellow with silvery hue, inside slightly dotted with red.

Price—$1.00 each; the two for $1.50; $7.50 per dozen.

Doryanthes Excelsa.

We have secured from Australia a limited number of this gigantic member of the Amaryllis family. It sends up a flower stem from eight feet to sixteen feet high, on the top of which is borne a great cluster of large scarlet lily-like flowers. In the Southern and Pacific States it is hardy and can be grown in the open ground. Sells for $5.00 each, but we can supply fine large plants by express, too large for mail, at $1.00 each.

Grand New Coleus.

Velvet-like leaves of wonderful richness, and the most surprising markings. These two are the finest new sorts:

Dr. Ross—Enormous leaves, like a Rex Begonia but more exquisitely colored, being a blending of yellow, crimson, pink, green, chocolate, etc. A grand specimen plant.

Mrs. Saunders—This splendid variety differs from all other Coleus in having a wedge of creamy white in the center of the leaf, with a clearly defined margin of oxide green, bronze, crimson and purple. Perfectly fascinating.

Price, 15c. each; the two for 20c.

Cape Fuchsia.

(*Phygelius Capensis.*)

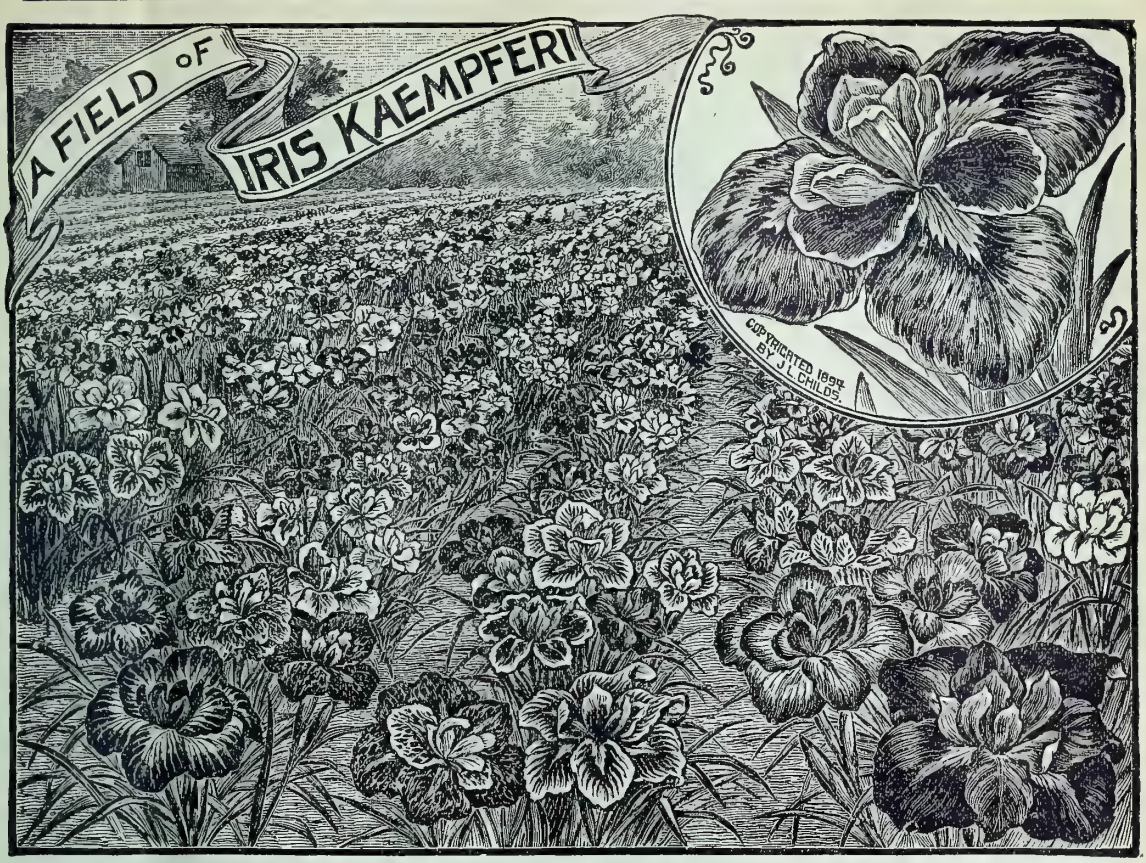
Seldom have we seen a plant so charming and free-blooming. During our past dry summer it was never out of flower, while geraniums alongside of it were perishing. Plants barely a few inches high bear from 10 to 20 bold, long spikes completely crowded with showy scarlet, drooping flowers, persistently produced from May until late autumn, when they can be brought in for winter blooming. It is also a good bedding plant, grown singly or in masses; does well in poor soil, moist or dry, and will probably prove hardy. 15c. each.

CAPE FUCHSIA.

Rudbeckia Laciniata, fl. pl., "Golden Glow."

Offered for the first time last year. A hardy perennial plant growing eight feet high, branching freely, and bearing by the hundreds, on long, graceful stems, exquisite double blossoms of the brightest golden color and as large as Cactus Dahlias. The cut represents a plant in bloom, as photographed. Mr. William Falconer, the best authority on plants in this country, says of it: "When I saw the double-flowering form of Rudbeckia Laciniata in bloom in your grounds at Floral Park, in summer last year, I was amazed, for notwithstanding my long and intimate acquaintance with plants I had never before seen a double-flowered Rudbeckia; and I was delighted with the fulness and gorgeousness of the blossoms and their clear, bright yellow color. You gave me a plant last spring and it was set out in good garden ground. It grew vigorously and threw up strong branching flower stems six feet high, laden with sheaves of golden blossoms as large as fair Chrysanthemums, and all having an elegant graceful appearance, without any of the stiffness in habit or blossom peculiar to sunflowers. Many eminent florists and amateurs have seen it here, and all admired it. As cut flowers the blossoms last well. In fine, I unhesitatingly regard it as the most desirable introduction among hardy perennials since we got Clematis Paniculata." It is the most effective flowering plant for August and September in cultivation.

Strong plants, which will bloom freely this season, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 7 for $1.00; 12 for $2.00.



New Double Iris Kaempferi.

A wood cut of this size cannot properly show these new Iris, therefore we have prepared a magnificent stipple lithograph in 18 colors, size 16x33 inches, eight times larger than this page, and showing flowers in natural size and colors. It is a magnificent picture, and we will supply it in rollers, by mail, for 20 cents. Write for it.

These new Iris from Japan rival the Lily in stateliness, the Pæony in majestic beauty, the Orchid in marvelous delicacy and blending of colors, the Chrysanthemum in profusion, and surpasses almost every plant in the size and kingly magnificence of its flowers. Think of a plant sending up to the height of three feet a dozen flower spikes, each spike bearing from two to four enormous blossoms eight or ten inches across and of the most delicate and beautiful colors, markings and combinations. Think of a bed of all colors, white, indigo, violet, lavender, mauve, sky-blue, royal purple, blush, yellow, etc. Your imagination can conceive of nothing grander, and when you see them you will realize that they are infinitely more grand and beautiful than your imagination could portray. Such are these new double Iris Kaempferi, the king of hardy perennial plants. Once planted in your garden they are a joy for a lifetime without further care, blooming profusely in June and July, during which time they are the greatest attraction your garden or lawn can contain. We have about one hundred fine named varieties recently imported from Japan, among the best of which are the following. These Iris received highest award at the World's Fair.

Believing that the public do not realize the beauty and value of these new Iris, which are really among the grandest and most fascinatingly beautiful of all flowers, we here offer 25 of the finest varieties at a price which we hope will tempt all to plant them.

Blue Jay—Dwarf habit, large flower; fine azure blue freely veined and mottled white. Extra fine.
Charmer—Lovely light blue, with white center and veins Large and handsome.
Dinah—Light silvery lilac, veined purple blue. Dwarf habit, large flower.
Eclair—Lovely pure white. Extra large and fine.
Mahogany—Very large flower, deep mahogany red.
Gold Bound—Tall and showy with flowers of enormous size, probably the most beautiful of all. Pure snow-white with large gold-banded center.
Hannibal—Light blue freely veined deep blue. Yellow center.
Mr. Fell—Grayish white, finely veined celestial blue with blue and yellow center.
Mt. Hood—Light blue shaded darker. Bright orange center.
Orion—Tall and strikingly handsome; pure white, each petal having a wide border of lilac red; very distinct.
Pyramid—Tall and showy, flower very large; light violet-blue with slight white veins.
P. C. De Rohan—Purplish blue, shaded violet, with red at center. Fine large flower.
Robert Craig—Tall and very large; French white, shaded with violet toward center; extra fine.
St. Ogg—Purplish blue, shaded indigo; yellow markings.
Victor—Fine porcelain blue, veined.

SINGLE VARIETIES.

We offer ten rarely beautiful single varieties from Japan. They are exquisite.

Blue Bird—Clear dark blue.
Como—Reddish amaranth, with large white center.
Exquisite—Fine porcelain blue.
Shadow—Enormous wavy petals, dark indigo blue with peacock lustre and golden center. Grand.
Snowbound—Large pure white, with golden bands in each petal. Exquisite.
Granite—Grayish white, overlaid fine blue.
Souvenir—Lovely rose pink, with satin gloss and delicate blue veins.
Violet Cap—Pure white, veined and suffused dark blue.
Neptune—Reddish gray, freely veined.
Quakeress—Light lavender, tinged rose.

PRICE *of above Double and Single varieties: Strong roots, by mail, postpaid, 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; or more at 10c. each. Extra large, strong clumps, by express, 30c. each; 5 for $1.00; or more at 20c. each.*

Double Mixed—All varieties, 3 for 25c.; 7 for 50c.; 15 for $1.00. Extra large clumps, by express, double price.
Single Mixed varieties, same price.

THREE ELEGANT NEW SORTS.

These three new Iris Kaempferi are grand.

Mrs. C. T. Saxton—Pure white, enormous size and triple extra double. The finest double variety.
Senator Lexow—Enormous flower like Shadow, but much larger; great wavy petals a foot across. Indigo blue.
Spotted Beauty—Large size, very double; silky white freely and finely spotted with violet crimson.

Price, 30c. each; the three for 75c.

Rare Lilies.

The brush cannot paint, or the pen portray the exquisite purity and delicacy, yet magnificent grandeur of the stately Lily. It is the plus ultra of floral beauty, and we urge our friends to each year add a few Lilies to their collection. No other flower will so adorn our homes when in bloom, and they constantly improve after planting. We feel sure if our readers could see a good collection of from 20 to 40 different sorts in bloom they would never rest until they had a goodly number of their own. As a rule, Lilies are of the easiest cultivation, especially the following, which have been carefully selected as the hardiest, handsomest and best. We grow at Floral Park about five acres of Lilies and the bulbs we offer are large, healthy and vigorous, as well as very low in price.

Auratum—(The Golden Banded Lily of Japan.) We offer fine large bulbs of these at prices so low everybody can plant them freely. $1.50 per dozen..... 20

Auratum Macranthum—This grand variety of L. Auratum produces bulbs of great size which throw up a growth of remarkable strength and vigor. The flowers are pure ivory white, with a golden band through each petal, and numerous golden yellow spots 75

Auratum Rubro Vittatum—Flowers of enormous size, pure snow white, thickly spotted with crimson, and with a wide dark blood-red band through the center of each petal. Its great beauty is a marvel to all....1 00

Auratum Wittei—Lovely pure white with golden band but without spots..... 75

Auratum Pictum—White, spotted crimson, with one-half of the band red, the other half golden. Very fine..... 75

One each of above 5 Rare Auratums, $3.00.

Brownii—A grand Lily, but very rare. The large, wax-like flowers are chocolate purple on the outside, snowy white inside. Stamens a rich chocolate brown. Blossoms large and trumpet-shaped..... 60

Batemanniæ—Pure apricot color without spots. A much prized Japanese variety 20

Bermuda Easter Lily—This grand Lily (Harrisii) is one of the most popular of all winter blooming bulbs. We have a fine stock of strong bulbs which we offer remarkably low. Per doz., $1.00. 15

Cordifolium—A rare and beautiful dwarf form of L. Giganteum 75

Childsi—The plant grows only ten inches high, a pyramid of luxuriant foliage, crowned with a cluster of 30 to 50 brilliant blossoms. These are of large size, perfect shape and in color brilliant orange-scarlet, spotted black. The effect produced by this crown of flowers set on a tuft of dark green leaves is very pleasing and not to be found elsewhere among Lilies. As a pot plant it is a perfect gem, and for the garden even more valuable. It is hardy and robust..... 1 00

Candidum—A well known hardy garden Lily; snow-white, fragrant blossoms; one of the best varieties for forcing and an established favorite. Per doz., $1.00.. 10

LILIUM EXCELSUM. LILIUM HUMBOLDTI.

Chalcedonicum—Intense scarlet, like Excelsum in shape and habit; very brilliant..... 75

Canadense—A very beautiful sort with pendulous bell-shaped blossoms 10

Coridion—A beautiful Lily; with upright, perfect, star-shaped flower of clear yellow; fine and attractive.... 15

Concolor—Like Coridion except in color which is a bright scarlet 15

Excelsum—This remarkable Lily attains the wonderful height of 5 to 6 feet. It produces from 8 to 12 nodding rich apricot-hued blooms; has a delightful perfume, and its stately form makes it attract attention wherever grown. You will be delighted with it..... 60

Humboldti—A majestic Lily; flower orange yellow, spotted with purple, large and handsome..... 30

Elegans Bicolor—Truly magnificent, being Tulip-shaped, and bloom in June. The blossoms are large and of exceeding bright and striking colors; robust, hardy and free bloomers. Exceedingly showy, being of a brilliant red color, flamed with yellow; very large and perfect. Per doz., $1.50..... 15

Elegans Midnight—Rich, velvety, crimson-black, a most superb color. Exceedingly rare and beautiful.. 25

Longiflorum—White, trumpet formed, very fragrant. A lovely Lily, being almost exactly like the Bermuda Easter Lily, but blooming a little later, and hardy in the open ground, therefore a grand variety for garden culture as well as for pots. Per doz., $1.25..... 15

Longiflorum Takesima—A fine variety with large white blossoms, slightly tinged violet..... 15

Longiflorum Variegatum—The leaves of this variety are most beautifully variegated white and green, making a plant of great beauty. Sold a few years ago at $5.00 each..... 30

Krameri—A rare Japanese Lily closely allied to Auratum. Growth slender, flowers very large, Auratum shaped and of the most superb tint of color, being a delicate rosy pink, so soft, delicate and exquisite as to be utterly indescribable. No Lily superior to this. 35

Leichtlini—The most popular yellow Lily, though very scarce. Flowers large, lemon yellow with few black spots. Stately and grand..... 75

Parryi—(THE YELLOW HARRISI.) One of the very rarest, choicest and most beautiful of all Lilies. Elegant for pot culture as well as for the garden. Flowers partly trumpet-shaped, like Harrisi, and of a golden yellow color, very deep and glossy. Exceedingly fragrant and blooms early. We can now offer this grand and rare Lily very low..... 25

Pardalinum (LEOPARD LILY)—Rich scarlet and yellow flowers, spotted with rich brown. Robust and free flowering. A superb Lily and one which will give the greatest possible satisfaction. Succeeds in all situations. No garden complete without it..... 15

Pomponium Rubrum—This magnificent species resembles a gigantic Tenuifolium, growing about three feet in height, having numerous fiery scarlet flowers. 30

Pomponium Aureum—Tall and graceful, with fine drooping flowers in great profusion; yellow, spotted black..... 30

Speciosum Rubrum (LANCIFOLIUM)—Large wide flowers, recurving more or less at the tips. Among the showiest of all Lilies and perhaps the most robust and the most radiantly beautiful. Very fragrant and hardy. Lovely rose and white, spotted crimson..... 15

S. Monstrosum Album—A variety of the above, with broad, flat stems and immense heads of flowers, often fifty flowers in a cluster. Pure white..... 20

S Melpomene—Words cannot describe the beauty of this variety. Frosted white, spotted, clouded and bearded with pinkish crimson. Petals deeply recurved and widely bordered. Exceedingly fine..... 50

S. Praecox—Large, perfect and beautiful. Frosted white, with a tinge of blush at the tip of petals. The plush-like fringe in each petal adds to its beauty..... 30

S. Opal—We had thought that no Speciosum could exceed Melpomene, but this new Lily is even larger, grander and, if possible, more richly colored. Like the opal, for which it is named, the eye drinks in its lovely tints with delight. To say that it is frosted, glistening white, delicately clouded and suffused with rosy blush and spotted with rosy scarlet, is to convey but a slight idea of its perfect lovliness. The deeply recurving petals are snowy white at the tip, gradually deepening in color to the base of each petal, which is blotched, with a raised, moss-like fringe which glistens like diamonds. The flower is very large, and the plant robust and hardy.....1 00

S. Henryi—A great novelty, being no less than a fine yellow Speciosum of robust growth. It is the most hardy and vigorous of its class and a great bloomer. Color, fine yellow, exquisite.....2 00

Superbum—Three to six feet high; flowers from five to forty, nodding, brilliant orange red; blooms in July. This is one of the grandest of all Lilies. It is capable of growing and producing an astonishing number of flowers. Per doz., $1.50..... 15

Tenuifolium (THE CORAL LILY OF SIBERIA.)—A little beauty. The brightest of all Lilies. Grows 20 inches high, with finely cut foliage, slender stems and beautifully shaped flowers of a shining coral red. One ought to grow them by the dozen, they are so fine for cutting and make such grand clumps for the lawn. Blooms very early..... 20

Tigrinum, fl pl. (Double Tiger Lily)—This is a plant of stately habit, growing from 4 to 6 feet high; foliage is dark green and very long, bearing an immense number of double, bright orange-red flowers spotted with black. Per dozen, $1.00..... 10

Tigrinum Splendens (Tiger Lily)—Orange salmon, spotted black. Per dozen, 40c..... 5

LILIUM WALLACEI.

LILIUM PARRYI.

Umbellatum—One of the very best, blooming in June or July, with very large perfect flowers and dazzling colors. They are robust growers and produce an enormous head of bloom. Colors range from black-red through all the shades of crimson, rose, yellow, buff, apricot, &c., many being finely spotted and variegated. 25 finest sorts, mixed. Per dozen, $1.50.. 15

Wallacei—This Lily is very floriferous, each bulb throwing up from 4 to 6 flower stems, each one of which is crowned with 3 to 10 beautiful upright blossoms of a delicate bright apricot color. It is very perfect in form and a most desirable sort. Per dozen, $1.00..... 10

Washingtonianium—A beautiful and sweet Lily growing several feet high and bearing a great mass of delicately tinted white blossoms which are freely spotted with black 25

Chrysanthemums.

Not a word needs to be written descriptive of the Queen of Autumn Flowers. The interest taken each autumn in the Chrysanthemum shows of every city shows the hold this flower has on the hearts of the people. Beautiful, profuse, easily grown, and a superb pot plant for room decoration. No other flower need hope to compete with it in the season. Some dealers offer confusing lists of hundreds of varieties, but we have reduced our list to the cream of all sorts, any one of which might grace a queen's palace. Our advice is to give them rich food and plenty of water, and if the large blooms of the Exhibition are coveted, keep them in pots always, shifting them as they require, pinching back until robust and bushy, then to disbud, leaving but one blossom out of each cluster to develop.

Price of all Chrysanthemums on this page, 10c. each.

JAPANESE.

This is the leading and most popular class. Many different shapes and forms, of all colors.

Cullingfordii—Still the standard of what a fine, dark Chrysanthemum should be. Very rich dark crimson.

Comet—A large, flat flower, double to the center, seven inches across, petals whorled, quilled and twisted in the most beautiful manner. Color, pure white.

Challenge—Brightest yellow; perfect globe shape, large and late.

Eugene Dalledouze—Deep gold, and the very finest late sort. Size and form magnificent.

Golden Wedding—New last year, and probably the very finest of all yellow varieties. Flowers enormous in size, incurved, solid and globular. Finest and brightest yellow.

Helen Bloodgood—A striking variety, unquestionably the most meritorious and true pink. Globular in shape. Largest size.

H. W. Rieman—Grand exhibition yellow. Deep golden shade and massive build.

H. E. Widener—One of the most famous of the newer Chrysanthemums. Flower a perfect ball of bright lemon yellow; very large and upheld by long stiff flower stalks.

Harry May—A massive, spherical flower of rich old-gold touched with reddish veins. Spoon-shaped petals.

Ivory—A grand variety. A smooth-textured ivory-white flower of large size and perfect globular form.

John Shrimpton—Deep velvety crimson, gold color on reverse side of petals. Large and extra fine.

Klota—One of the most popular yellows, of a rich golden color, and as round as a ball. Very fine.

Leopard Improved—Most beautiful and distinct. The color is a peculiar but beautiful carmine-purple thickly dotted with white. A great improvement on the old Leopard.

Lilian B. Bird—A very large, full flower, with high center, and spreading needle-shaped petals of a pale shrimp-pink.

Mayflower—Flowers six inches across, perfectly double to the center. Petals long and wavy and beautifully and deeply laciniated; color pale whitish-lavender, slightly shaded with yellow toward the center. Unlike any other variety, and a flower of great and peculiar beauty.

Major Bonnafon—Soft, clear yellow, beautiful globe form and very early bloomer.

Mrs. L. C. Maderia—Large, double, globular flowers, with large quilled petals that last long in perfection. The color is a distinct orange-yellow. A splendid grower.

Mrs. H. Robinson—Magnificent large white; very early, blooming first of October. Extra.

Marion Henderson—Brightest yellow; extra early and fine.

Mrs. Jerome Jones—White, finely tinged rose; an exquisite color. Late bloomer.

Miss Gladys Spaulding—Magnificent snow-white, large, perfect form, opening flat.

Mamie Wanamaker—Largest and finest pure white.

Mme. Bergmann—Earliest pure white; often blooms in September. Fine form and color.

Maud Dean—Beautiful pink, very large; petals broad and incurving.

Merry Monarch—Magnificent pure white. Extra early and extra fine.

Marq. de Montmart—Beautiful pink, and so early that it often blooms in September. A grand variety.

Vivland Morel—Tender, silky pink; very large and strikingly beautiful.

W. H. Lincoln—Pure golden yellow; slightly incurved and of great size and perfection.

ANEMONE-FLOWERED.

A beautiful class of Chrysanthemums with large, flat blossoms, the center being composed of tubular quilled petals, surrounded by a double row of large flat ones. The quilled and flat petals are always of a different color, and very showy.

Antonius—Bright canary yellow, of the Pompon type. Exceedingly free and handsome.

Judge Holtt—Pale pearly pink; a soft, lovely color.

Koko—Broad, flat; outer petals of a rosy-lilac. Short, tubular center petals of a creamy white.

Whirlwind—An enormous pure white Anemone-flowered; of great beauty.

Yellow Hammer—Bright chrome yellow, large and beautiful.

POMPON CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

Small flowers as double as little roses, and borne in great masses. By all odds this is one of the most charming of all Chrysanthemums, and everyone should have a few at least.

Black Douglas—A curious and beautiful Pompon. The color so deep as to be almost black, while the tip of each petal shows a glint of gold, making the whole blossom appear as if sprinkled with gold dust.

Mignon—A beautiful pink of bright hue; exquisite.

Princess Meletia—Beautiful for cutting or wearing. A lovely, long stemmed, fringed flower of perfect Pompon shape; a delicate blush white. Will please everyone.

Val d'Or—The finest of all yellow flowered Pompons. Blooms in clusters. Beautiful shape and rich color.

White Bedder—Pure snow white, in great masses. A superb cut flower.

OSTRICH PLUME CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

These are the unique hairy or "Esau" varieties which are so odd, beautiful and popular.

Cold Dust—Soft plumy flower of rich golden color. Best hairy yellow.

Lady of the Lake—Magnificent bright pink. Exquisite.

Mrs. Higginbotham—An improved Louis Boehmer. Elegant large blossoms of a soft, downy pink. Petals broad and plush-like.

Mrs. W. J. Godfrey—Improved Alpheus Hardy. Pure snow white, large and double, and very hairy; best white sort.

R. M. Gray—Immense, hairy, bronze or terra cotta color.

Price of all Chrysanthemums on this page, 10c. each.

New Chrysanthemums.

From the large list of new 'Mums we select the following as being the most remarkable, distinct and beautiful. They are really marvels in their way. Among them we have a green flowered variety (Emerald) and a beautiful large striped variety, (Uncle Sam.) Good Gracious is really a monster, the largest variety grown. As a companion to the exquisite Philadelphia we have the lovely pink Wm. Simpson and in P. Manda we have a most fascinating combination of canary yellow and pure white.

Philadelphia—The sensation among Chrsanthemums. Took 15 first prizes last year, never failing to win in any exhibition in America or Europe. Flower of enormous size, as round as a ball, pure white with a delicate shadowy tinge of lemon, giving the flower a peculiar translucent effect. It is the grandest variety in cultivation, its peculiar beauty being utterly indescribable.

Wm. Simpson—The best pink and largest flower of its color. Exhibited for the first time last year and created a sensation. As fine as Philadelphia. Flowers have been grown that measure 11 inches across. Early and a fine robust grower. Color, a most exquisite shade of pink, of indescribable loveliness.

Emerald Gem—Flowers superb, fully six inches across with gracefully incurved petals and of perfect form. Color, light emerald green with white at base of petals.

Norma Dee Childs—A beautiful Chinese; enormous flower, seven inches across, perfectly double to the center; petals wide, and color snow-white. Unquestionably the best pure white Chrysanthemum known.

P. Manda—A superb large flower opening flat and double to the very center. Petals beautifully curved. The center petals are fine canary yellow while those outside are pure white combining these two delicate and exquisite colors in one flower. In this respect it is unlike any other variety and a gem of the first water. No collection complete without it.

Uncle Sam—A fine large flower with long wavy petals of a rosy lilac color, striped and bordered with white. It is the finest and most distinctly striped variety in cultivation, and a decided acquisition.

Good Gracious—Probably the very largest flower of any Chrysanthemum. As large as a man's hat and double to the very center. Petals quilled and irregular. Color, a delicate shade of peach pink; perfectly grand.

Price of above fine new sorts, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; the 7 for $1.00.

CHOICE CHRYSANTHEMUM SEED.

Chrysanthemums are very easily grown from seed, and flower abundantly the first season. It is no trouble at all to grow them and they are sure to flower beautifully in October and November from spring-sown seed. Every plant raised will produce a flower of a different color and character, no two will ever be alike, and among them there will be many exceptionally beautiful and valuable new varieties.

Extra Choice Mixed—Saved only from the finest named sorts, carefully hand fertilized. 25 seeds, 25c.

Ostrich Plume, Mixed Colors—10 & 20c.

New Abutilons.

These are of the beautiful Infanta Eulalia type introduced by us a few years ago. Unlike the ordinary Abutilons of scraggy growth, they are very compact and short jointed, making a neat pot plant. The flowers are the most beautiful we have seen among Abutilons, being very large yet short and beautifully cupped, and of the most lovely colors. They produce flowers by the score both summer and winter. It is safe to say that these varieties will produce five times as many flowers as any other Abutilon under the same conditions.

Infanta Eulalia—This is perfection itself. Plants dwarf and short jointed, producing exquisite large cupped blossoms by the score from the time the plant is four inches high. Blooms all the time, summer and winter. Color a most beautiful soft satin-pink. No finer pot plant for windows than this.

Wm. McKinley—Exactly like the above except in color, which is a beautiful clear lemon yellow of exquisite loveliness.

Africain—Like Infanta Eulalia, except its color is a deep, velvety, crimson black. Exceedingly rich.

Price, 25c. each; the 3 for 60c.

ROSES AT TEN CENTS EACH.

To meet competition in cheap Roses we have reduced the price of our superior high grade stock to ten cents each. Of course, small weak plants can be grown at a profit at ten cents; but our strong, healthy, well-rooted stock is worth more; however in offering our plants at that price we have the consolation of knowing that our loss will be our customers' gain; so plant them freely.

The Rose is the emblem of beauty and true worth; the Rose-bud of innocence and purity. At all times, and in all places, the Rose has ever been the acknowledged Queen of Flowers. The maiden of two thousand years ago adorned herself with chaplets and garlands of Roses as does the maiden of to-day. The use of Roses is now more universal than ever. We cannot get along without Roses for pillars and hedges and bedding. They are indispensable for vases, or for fine cut flower work, while no other flower is as popular for wearing or table decoration. Every family ought to grow them in abundance; for never in the history of the world have Roses been as low in price as now, and never as beautiful. The Rose has been brought to such a state of perfection as regards size, shape and color of flower, that it seems impossible for further improvement.

The secret of having good Roses is to begin with good, healthy plants, and not weak, sickly things, or those with stunted growth. The growth of many Roses is stunted before they are sent out, by leaving them too long in the cutting bed or in small pots, hence the weak growth and poor blossoms which follow. We furnish strong, vigorous, well-rooted Roses, ready to grow and bloom at once, and it is for this reason more than any other that our plants produce such an unusual large amount of the finest flowers. We have revised our list of varieties over and over again, until we know that these here offered are the very cream of more than a thousand known kinds We do not believe that the list could possibly be improved. It embraces many recent novelties, as well as all the fine old sorts of tried and true merit.

Our complete system of mailing Roses and other plants in strong wooden boxes, insures their carrying to the remotest parts of the Union in perfect order.

Tea, or Everblooming Roses.

Price, 10c. each.—One each of the 30 sorts for $2.75.

The most popular for bedding. Blooms when very small, and if well cared for flowers continuously the whole season. Tea Roses are of great substance, with remarkably long handsome buds and shell petaled flowers of most exquisite soft shades, and distinct tea-like fragrance. Largely grown in pots for winter blooming. Give winter protection by banking with earth, or covering with evergreen boughs.

Baron Berge—Splendid large double flowers of a most delicate and pleasing color; soft lemon white at base of petals, elegantly tinted with rose on the outer edges.

Bridesmaid—A lovely new Rose, of large size and perfect form. Exquisite soft sea-shell pink with a satin lustre.

Corinna—A new English Rose of rare and exquisite beauty, with tints and blendings of color not to be found in any other Rose; is best described as a flesh color, shaded with rose and suffused with tawny copper.

Catherine Mermet—The florist's choice whenever a fine pink rose is ordered. The perfection of form, while the color is exquisite bright pink, with shadings of paler pink and cream.

Duchesse de Brabrant—Exceedingly robust and fragrant, and one of the freest of all in bloom. The color is a delicate and peculiar shade of rose, richly shaded.

Etoile de Lyon—One of the best outdoor Roses grown, and the hardiest of all the yellow varieties. A free bloomer, flower large, of a rich, creamy yellow, and finely cupped.

Francisca Kruger—An extra fine Rose for outdoor culture. Splendid deep copper yellow flowers, not as pale as most yellow Roses when grown in the open air.

Hermosa—Long a favorite and will be a hundred years from now. Unusually hardy, and bears great quantities of medium sized, shell-like flowers of the loveliest pink.

Francois Dubreuil—A new red Tea Rose of unusual merit with fine large double flowers, which in color are equal to the best of our deep colored Hybrid Perpetuals. The flowers are large, very full and double. Color, deep crimson with velvety shadings, rich and fine; buds of large size and of beautiful shape.

Gen. Robert E. Lee—Enormous bloomer; exquisite buds borne on long graceful stems. When fully open it is perfectly double to the center. Color, a beautiful soft rich yellow, tinged with coppery bronze.

Marion Dingee—Beautifully cupped flower of exquisite beauty, and a most profuse bloomer. Color, deep crimson, very bright and showy.

Maman Cochet—New and extra fine. Deep rosy pink, on long stems. A robust grower.

Mrs. Pierpont Morgan—A sport from that well-known cut-flower variety Mad. Cusin. The flowers are very large and double, with broad, massive petals.

Madame de Watteville—Often called the Tulip Rose. One of the best fancy Roses, an indescribable blending of cream and carmine, each shell-like petal outlined with bright pink. Its distinct fragrance is very pleasing.

Malmaison Blush—Grand old Rose of enormous size and great beauty and fragrance. As double as a Pæony.

Malmaison Yellow—Beautiful apricot yellow.

Marie Cuillot—One of the finest outdoor White Roses. Very free, perfect and beautiful. All should possess it. Snowy white, tinted yellow.

Marie Van Houtte—Light canary yellow, sometimes almost white. Very large and perfect. A fine bedder.

Marshal Neil—The finest known yellow Rose, but a rank grower and requires lots of room. Fine for greenhouses.

Mrs. DeGraw—A new Rose very robust and quite hardy, fragrant and free blooming. Color, a clear self pink of loveliest shade. Cannot fail to please.

Niphetos—Rather too delicate for the open ground, but the grandest of all white indoor Roses, particularly free blooming during the winter. Long, pointed, snowy-white buds that no other Rose can equal.

Papa Gontier—Fine for either garden or house. Large flowers of great substance, and very fragrant. Color, a rich, dark carmine. A glorious Rose.

Perle des Jardins—Almost an exact counterpart of the famous Marshal Neil Rose, but very robust and of dwarf growth Fine either for pots or open ground.

Queen's Scarlet—An extra good Rose. Always in bloom, and the color an unusual one among ever-bloomers, being a dark, rich, satiny crimson. No better dark Rose.

Rainbow—A charming new Rose, showing several different colors in the same flower.

Snowflake—A new white Rose, with lovely waxen blooms

Souv. de Laurents Cuillot—A distinct new Tea Rose, with a marvelous combination of color and shadings. Flowers very large and double with recurved petals; a very profuse bloomer Color deep pink, shading to a center of yellowish peach. Edge of petals distinctly bordered, in the greatest abundance. Fine for outdoor or pots.

Sunset—One of the richest colored Roses in the Tea section; a rich golden amber, or old gold, elegantly tinged and shaded with ruddy copper. The flowers and buds are extra large, full, finely formed and deliciously perfumed.

The Queen—This superb Rose is a sport from the grand old Souvenir d'un Ami, and has the same beautiful pointed buds and distinct fragrance, but is pure snowy white in color, instead of pink. Extra fine.

The Bride—An exquisitely lovely Rose, and very popular. Beautiful foliage, and perfect double flowers of the very largest size, and of the most snowy whiteness.

Hybrid Teas.

10c. each; the 8 for 75c.

These combine the best qualities of both the Teas and Hybrid Perpetuals, of which they are a cross, giving us the fine coloring and large size of the Hybrid Perpetuals with the everblooming character of the Teas. This section is also much hardier than the average Tea, and while of a fine, erect habit, are much dwarfer than the Hybrid Perpetuals, making them extra fine for specimen plants upon the lawn, or as center plants for beds of Tea Roses. Splendid for pots.

Pink La France—Pale peach with silvery sheen. Grand.
Red La France—A sport from the above pink sort, having the same satiny lustre, but deeper in color.
White La France—Pure snow white. A glorious flower.
Striped La France—A new sort with finely striped and marked blossoms. It is superb.
Meteor—Shows the peculiar velvety richness of the best dark Hybrid Perpetuals, and blooms as freely as any Tea. Very double and perfect; a rich, glowing crimson, never tinged with magenta or dull purple in hot weather as are some dark Roses. A grand bedding Rose.
Mad. Caroline Testout—A charming new Hybrid Tea. The flower is large and double, with large, heavy petals; very fragrant. Color, clear, bright, satiny pink, with rosy center. A grand cut-flower and bedding variety.
Kaiser Augusta Victoria—Large pointed buds, full double flower, of a delicate creamy white color. Deliciously fragrant, and a constant bloomer. Grand.
Mad. Abel Chatenay—Lovely rosy carmine, large and robust grower.

Polyanthus Roses.

10c. each.

These are the "Baby" or "Fairy" Roses, wee little rosettes of bloom, sometimes less than an inch across, but borne in large panicles at the end of every shoot. We have counted 120 flowers in one cluster of Mignonette and other varieties are not far behind. Fine for pot culture. Compact, bushy, always in bloom. Hardy in open ground, and blooms from May to December.

Mignonette—Tiny pale pink flowers. Very pretty and borne in immense clusters.
Parquette—Large clusters of wee white blossoms, which are perfectly lovely.
Mad. Cecil Brunner—Salmon on yellow ground; dwarf habit, but vigorous
Clothilde Soupert—As large as an ordinary Tea Rose, and exceedingly lovely. Fine for outdoor, and by many florists considered the very finest pot Rose. Flowers borne in large panicles, each floret double and rosette-like. Color, a pearly-white, with exquisite center of a soft salmon-peach.
Clorie de Polyanthus—Bright pink, rayed with red. Beautifully cupped blossoms in great profusion.

Hybrid Perpetual.

10c. each; the 16 for $1.50.

Hybrid Perpetuals ought to be very extensively grown by all. The flowers are of very great size and beauty, produced in great profusion in spring, and to a considerable extent all summer. Their tall, erect habit fits them for ornamental hedges, center of large Rose beds, or clumps of shrubbery. They furnish us with deep, rich, glowing colors, to be found in no other section of the family, and their flowers are also very much larger, while beautifully cupped and imbricated. They are the finest of all Roses for vases. Perfectly hardy in the open ground in all localities.

Anna de Diesbach—A superb flower of immense size. Rich, dazzling crimson.
Baron Bonstettan—Crimson-black. Extra fine.
Coquette des Blanches—Not large, but very double and perfect, blooming in large clusters at intervals throughout the season. Snowy white.
Baron Maynard—Pure white. Very fine.
Coquette des Alps—Fine snowy-white, large and full.
General Jacqueminot—Large velvety flowers of the most intense maroon-scarlet, each set in a cluster of rich green leaves. Blooms repeatedly through the summer and fall and is the most popular Rose grown; without exception.
Perfection des Blanches—Pure white. Not large, but very perfect, profuse and sweet, and a constant bloomer.
Paul Neyron—Immense double flowers, of a shining carmine-pink. The largest Rose known; perfectly grand.
Dinsmore—We cannot praise this enough. Always in bloom, with large, finely imbricated flowers of a rich bright crimson. Rather bushy and compact growth. Extra fine as specimen Rose upon the lawn
Francis Levet—Extra fine Rose of large size and clear bright rose color Very rich and fragrant.
Clorie Lyonaise—This is the nearest approach to a yellow in this class. A pale shade of salmon yellow with deeper center, changing to creamy white.
Gustave Piganeau—Color, clear, bright red, very rich and handsome; strong robust grower and a profuse bloomer.
Prince Camille de Rohan—Plenty of name and plenty of Rose. Flowers crimson-black, very large and velvety.
Mrs. John Laing—A constant bloomer from spring until after hard frosts, and its flowers are simply faultless in shape and outline. Every petal is like a perfect shell, while the color is the most exquisite shade of silvery pink, like the tint that bathes the lip of a seashell.
Marshal P. Wilder—Bright cherry-carmine. Great size and perfectly double. Superb.
Vick's Caprice (The Striped Rose.)—This is the best and in fact the only Striped Rose of any value. It is a Hybrid Perpetual, commencing to bloom when very small, and producing flowers which are perfectly double to the center and of perfect form. It is very fragrant and its color is deep satiny pink, with numerous wide stripes of white.

Climbing Roses.

Price, 10c. each.

Their beautiful foliage and profusion of bloom make them invaluable for small trellises, old walls, arbors, sides of buildings, trees, etc. Perfectly hardy anywhere, and rank, thrifty growers, reaching twenty feet or more.

Baltimore Belle—Literally a sheet of fragrant, pale-blush bloom in early summer. Over 4,000 buds and blossoms have been counted on a single vine at one time.
Tennessee Belle—Large, full flowers of rosy blush.
Seven Sisters—Large clusters of Roses, shaded from white to crimson, no two alike in cluster. Very odd and fine.
Queen of the Prairie—A distinct Rose, with deeply sunken center, making a cup-shaped Rose of much beauty.

Climbing Everblooming Roses.

A comparatively new class and in many respects the grandest of all Roses. Rapid growing climbers which bloom profusely from early spring till late fall, and when trained up on trellises, or over doors, windows, verandas, etc., they present a sight which is truly lovely, especially if several varieties of different colors are planted together and intermingle their vines and blossoms.

Climbing Perle des Jardins—A sport from Perle des Jardins, the most popular of all yellow Tea Roses. Flowers very large, deep golden yellow, and borne in the greatest profusion, as the plant is a strong, vigorous grower. This greatly surpasses Marechal Neil, and will produce ten times as many flowers. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Climbing Niphetos—This new variety is a sport of Niphetos, and is identical with it except that it is a strong rampant grower, making shoots 12 to 15 feet in length in a season. Flowers large; long pointed buds; color pure white. 25c. each.

Climbing La France—A great acquisition, being a rose of wonderful beauty and fragrance, a free and perpetual bloomer, and perfectly hardy. Climbing La France has the charming peach pink color, large size and exquisite form of the well-known La France. Growth strong and vigorous, small plants reaching the height of 12 or 15 feet the first summer and blooming continually. 20c. each.

Climbing Meteor—For full description see colored plate.

Mary Washington—This Rose was raised by George Washington over one hundred years ago in his garden at Mt. Vernon, and named after his mother. We introduced it a few years ago, our stock plants coming direct from Mt. Vernon from the original vines. Aside from the fact that this Rose was raised and named by George Washington, it is one of the most valuable sorts that has been introduced for many years. A hardy, perpetual blooming climber has long been needed. Its flowers are pure white, perfectly double to the center; sweet, and borne in endless numbers all summer. It is a vigorous and rapid grower, and a most valuable Rose for outdoor culture. Its buds are as beautiful as the finest Tea Roses, borne in large clusters. One plant of the Mary Washington will produce more flowers than a dozen Tea Roses. Its fragrance is tinged with the old-fashioned musky flavor so much admired in olden times. It will commence blooming immediately after planting, and the smallest plant will produce hundreds and even thousands of flowers the first year. Our stock is genuine. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

One each of above 5 sorts, 80c.

CHAMPION OF THE WORLD.

Three Grand Roses.

In the way of new Roses the following will be found to be of extraordinary beauty and value.

White Perle—A sport from Perle des Jardins, and exactly like that superb variety in every way except color, which is a beautiful creamy white. One cannot imagine a more lovely Rose than this.

Pink Soupert—A sport from Chlotilde Soupert, and differs from it only in color, this being a beautiful bright pink, and contrasts finely with the older variety. There is hardly a Rose in cultivation which will bloom so freely and produce such beautiful double blossoms as Chlotilde and Pink Soupert.

Champion of the World—The finest of all Roses for general all around good qualities. See full description on colored plate.

Price, 20c. each; the 3 for 50c.

Exquisite Moss Roses.

20c. each; the 5 for 80c.

The Moss Rose is the acknowledged queen of all Roses. The moss-covered stems and buds show off the delicate loveliness of the blossom to great advantage. They are perfectly hardy in any location, and should be found in every garden.

Blanche Moreau—Called perpetual, as it blooms more or less all the season. Pure white.

Princess Adelaide—Lovely bright pink

Countess Murinais—Large pure white.

Henry Martin—Fine clear rose.

W. N. Cranston — New; bright crimson-scarlet.

Trailing or Memorial Rose--(*Wichuriana.*)

New and very distinct; of rapid and perfectly prostrate or trailing habit of growth. The foliage is of a deep glossy green color and very dense. The flowers are produced in clusters in great profusion, from the beginning of July right through the summer. Pure white, about two inches across, the anthers are a perfect golden yellow. The great features of this Rose are its hardiness and strong growth. For planting on mounds, ledges, embankments, or for covering masses of rock, it certainly has no equal. 15c. each; 2 for 25c.

CHILDS' EXQUISITE NEW ROSES.

New Roses of Special Merit.

The following new Roses are the most unique, valuable, distinct and beautiful varieties which have been offered for many years. Each one is a new departure, and no lover of rare Roses can be without them.

CLIMBING METEOR.

This Rose, which we now introduce, might properly be called a Perpetual Blooming Climbing General Jacqueminot. Though a sport from that finest of all Hybrid Teas, Meteor, it is much larger and of a deeper, richer color, equalled only by the peerless Jacqueminot, but will produce twenty blossoms to Jacqueminot's one. It is a Rose which will make 10 to 15 feet of growth in a season and show a profusion of bloom every day. Foliage strong, healthy and luxuriant. Buds exquisite; flowers large, beautifully shaped, and of that rich, dark, velvety crimson color seen only in the Jacqueminot. Much deeper and richer than Meteor. We do not hesitate to pronounce it the finest Rose in existence for summer blooming, as it will make a large growth and is loaded with its glorious blossoms all the time. For winter blooming it has few equals in beauty, and probably none in profusion. Just the Rose to train up in a conservatory or bay-window, where its exquisite blossoms will show to wonderful advantage every day, summer or winter. Price of large, strong, well-rooted, healthy plants, for abundant blooming at once,

25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 7 for $1.25.

CHILDS' JEWEL.

The Rose of Many Colors. Flowers of Various Colors Borne on the Same Plant at the Same Time.

During the past few years we have introduced several new Roses, some of which are among the most valuable known at the present time, such as "Champion of the World," "Mary Washington," etc. We now offer the most remarkable Rose in cultivation, as well as the most novel and beautiful one, Childs' Jewel produces flowers which range in color from dark orange-yellow to crimson, variegated, blotched, mottled etc. A plant in bloom shows no two flowers alike. Some will be dark yellow; others, light yellow, buff, saffron, light and dark crimson, pink, blush, apricot, etc.; while others will be variegated in a most beautiful manner. As may well be imagined, the sight which such a plant in bloom presents is a novel and beautiful one. It is a pure Tea Rose, the flower being large, delightfully fragrant, and in both bud and blossom exquisitely beautiful. It is a free grower and a profuse bloomer, especially in the open ground. As a Rose novelty this is the most remarkaple ever introduced, and as may well be imagined creates a sensation wherever seen, and sells readily at two and three dollars each when in bloom. Strong, healthy plants, for blooming at once,

25c. each; 3 for 60c.

ROGER LAMBERLIN.

The Variegated Frilled Rose.

A new Rose of remarkable beauty. The flower is large, with beautifully fringed or fimbriated petals like a double Petunia, but what makes it still more beautiful is the fact that these frilled edges of the petals are white while the body color of the Rose is deep glowing crimson. A more beautiful combination cannot be imagined. Bush a rank, vigorous grower, and hardy. Very fragrant.

25c. each; 3 for 60c.

THE TWO RAMBLERS.

Crimson Rambler.

This new Rose is the sensation of the hour, and well it may be, for it is indeed a marvel. It originated in Scotland, and is a hardy, ever-blooming, climbing Polyanthus. It is perfectly hardy in the open ground, will grow 8 to 10 feet in a season, is in bloom all the time from early spring to late fall, the flowers appearing in great panicles as large as a man's hat and of a deep, rich crimson color, like blood-colored velvet. The flowers when cut last two weeks in water, and fully a month on the bush, which is a perfect mass of rich crimson at all times. It can be grown in various ways, as a pillar rose, as a trellis rose, and for covering a wall it has no equal, and when pegged down it will form a bed of itself. Cut back it is a magnificent pot rose for the window. It is always in bloom, even when very small, and is easily trimmed to a bushy grower. Being the introducer in this country, we have the largest and finest stock of this superb rose.

White Rambler.

This does not materially differ from the above except in color of its blossoms. Buds of a pinkish tinge, opening pure white. Borne in large clusters, and a free bloomer all summer. Perfectly hardy.

Price, 20c. each; the two for 35c.

CHAMPION OF THE WORLD.

This is the Rose for Everybody, the best and Freest Bloomer for Winter or Summer.

Champion Bloomer. It commences to bloom as soon as potted from the propagating bench, and continues in the greatest profusion all the time, SUMMER and WINTER. One plant of it will produce more flowers during the year than ten plants of any Tea Rose. It is always in full bloom. Plants which have bloomed all summer in the garden may de potted in the autumn, and they will immediately start new growth and bloom profusely all winter in any window. Returned to the garden in the spring, they will again bloom all summer without intermission. It is never without flowers.

Champion in Hardiness. Though a perpetual bloomer, it is as hardy and robust as an oak, standing the severe winters of Vermont, where it originated, in the open ground without the slightest protection, and commencing its season of bloom earlier than any other sort. For a hardy garden Rose it is as valuable as it is for pots.

Champion in Vigor. It is the most healthy and vigorous Rose in cultivation, for its handsome rank foliage has never been known to mildew under any conditions, indoors or out. It is ABSOLUTELY MILDEW PROOF.

Champion in Fragrance. It has the most delicious and powerful rose fragrance, which is maintained during the whole year. Its perfume in December is as rich, delicate and sweet as it is in June.

Champion in Form and Color. Its blossoms are perfectly double to the center and of the most perfect shape, both in bud and blossom, while its color is a degree of loveliness which few roses can equal, being a rich, deep, rosy pink, darker and richer than Hermosa, and a shade the delicate richness of which is seldom seen. Its size is very large for an everbloomer, often as large and fine as La France, or the best hybrid perpetuals.

In General. This remarkable Rose, a cross between Hermosa and Magna Charter, originated several years ago in Vermont. The originator says: "I have tested nearly every rose in cultivation and there is not a rose grown that will produce, after the usual June bloom, even a respectable per centage of the blooms that this will; and no rose of any name or kind that will stand the winter in the open ground better than the above."

Strong, well-rooted plants, 20c. each; three for 50c.; seven for $1.00; fifteen for $2.00.

ONE EACH OF ABOVE SIX NEW ROSES FOR ONLY $1.00.

LITHO. BY H. M. WALL, BROOKLYN, N.Y.

SELECT FLOWER SEEDS.

The ordinary commercial grades of flower seeds, such as are usually sold, can be and are sold at a very low price, yet at a great profit. They are grown and harvested in large crops, much like grain. They are produced cheaply, sold cheaply, and are, in fact, cheap in every sense of the word; and he who sows them has no right to complain at their poor quality. They cannot possibly be anything else. Seed of high quality can be produced only by thorough, careful, painstaking and expensive methods. We do not offer our customers the ordinary commercial grades of seed. Our stocks are special strains of special varieties bred up to the highest mark of perfection and selected with great care, and for this reason we grow and offer but a limited number of varieties—only those which are of the greatest merit and sure to give satisfaction everywhere. The very best varieties, bred up to an unequal mark of perfection, has made our seeds known the world over as the finest to be had. A visit to Floral Park during the summer months will convince any one of their great superiority.

For the best summer display the garden is dependent upon that class of flowers known as Annuals, which are grown from seed sown every spring. There are thousands of varieties of them, some good, some indifferent, but the great majority are poor, or in some respects unsatisfactory and not desirable for general cultivation. With a view to offering our customers only the very best varieties, those which cannot fail to produce good results in every part of the country, we have for years carefully grown, tested and selected to ascertain which sorts possessed superior merits. The list here presented is the result of our labors. It contains the very best of all sorts and all which are really and generally desirable. We might offer one hundred varieties of Asters or fifty varieties of Balsams, Phloxes, Poppies, etc., but there would be no advantage in so doing. On the other hand it would be a decided disadvantage, for our customers might therefor fail to select the best kinds.

CULTURE: As a rule, annuals may be sown in the open ground about corn-planting time, or they may be started in the house or in hot-beds earlier and transplanted to the garden when danger of frost is over. A rather light and moderately rich soil, thoroughly spaded, is most desirable. Do not grow the plants too thick. Keep the weeds down and the surface of the soil well stirred with a hoe or rake during the summer, especially if the weather is dry. Very pretty effects are produced by massing different colors. Straight or circular rows of different colors side by side are effective. Yet in Asters, Phloxes, Poppies, Zinnias, Verbenas, etc., a mixture of all colors is always showy and pleasing.

New System

OF SELLING SEEDS.

Each Variety Packed in Two Sizes, One at 5c. and One at 10c. (or in some cases 10c. and 20c.) Per Packet.

To meet a popular demand we offer our Choicest Flower Seeds at a uniform price in packets of two sizes. Of most varieties a 5 and 10 cent packet is offered the 10c. packet containing three times as much seed as the 5c. size. Those so choice and rare that a satisfactory quantity cannot be given for 5c. are sold at 10c. and 20c. The **quantity** of seed in these packets is liberal, while the **quality** is the very best, and substantially the same in both sizes. If we happen to have a small quantity only of some extraordinary good strain, it, of course goes into the 10c. or 20c. packets, but this is exceptional. Our seeds lead the world in high quality and now that they can be had in 5c. and 10c. packets no one need sow poor grades.

Ageratum.

One of the most useful and profuse-blooming plants known. Its very name, "Ageratum," meaning ever-young, refers to its ever being in bloom and to the long time each flower remains in beauty. A single head of Ageratum will remain fresh and perfect for a month in the open air, and from six weeks to three months in the window or greenhouse, where not exposed to storm and wind. Not even the Petunia will give a greater quantity of bloom or last longer in flower. This makes the Ageratum almost indispensable either in the house or garden. The new dwarf varieties are very bushy and compact in habit, and exactly suited for edging, carpet-bedding, etc. Give light, rich soil. No trouble whatever to grow.

Per pkt.

Little Gem—A beautiful border variety. A sheet of delicate blue flowers the whole season, and very compact in growth..... 5 & 10

Little Dorrit—Much like the above, but *white* flowered, best of its color..... 5 & 10

Lasseauxi—Compact plant with charming rose colored flowers. An unusual shade..... 5 & 10

Swanley Blue—Flowers of a beautiful azure blue. Good bedder, and extra fine for the house in winter..... 5 & 10

Canary—Compact in habit, light canary yellow in color. A very novel shade in these flowers..... 5 & 10

Anchusa Capensis.

A rare and little-known annual of great beauty. It is a life-long favorite with everyone that grows it. It grows two feet high, and will thrive in a shady out-of-the-way place where scarcely anything else will grow. It resembles a large beautiful Forget-me-not, though much finer in every respect, especially for bouquets and cut flowers. Color, a most lovely shade of deep, clear, brilliant blue, with a pure white center. It blooms early, and continues all summer..... 5 & 10

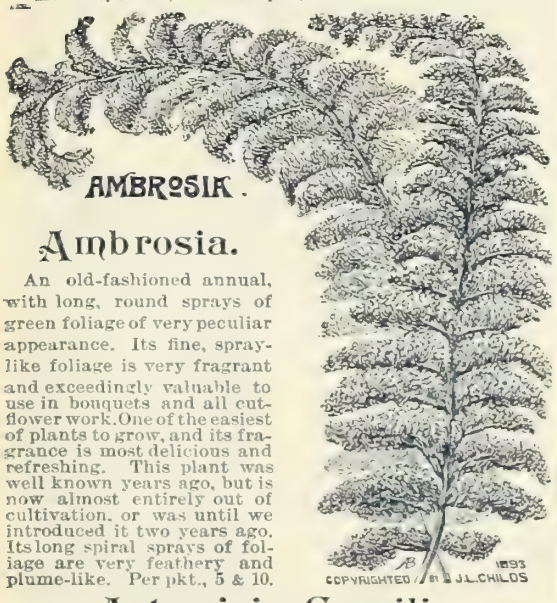
Antirrhinum.

This is the "Snap Dragon" of old, though so much improved that you would scarcely know it. It is a hardy perennial, flowering freely the first summer. The dwarf sorts form bushy, compact plants, which bear a mass of large brilliant flowers in short, compact spikes and of a great variety of dazzling colors. Beautiful for pots as well as for the garden, and grows readily from cuttings. Per pkt.

Tall Mixed—Rich colors of all shades ..... 5 & 10

Dwarf Mixed—Dwarf, compact growth..... 5 & 10

Tom Thumb—Mixed colors, the finest of all Snap Dragons, growing only eight inches high; flowers large, colors very brilliant, orange, scarlet, yellow, maroon, white, rose, striped, etc..... 5 & 10



Ambrosia.

An old-fashioned annual, with long, round sprays of green foliage of very peculiar appearance. Its fine, spray-like foliage is very fragrant and exceedingly valuable to use in bouquets and all cut-flower work. One of the easiest of plants to grow, and its fragrance is most delicious and refreshing. This plant was well known years ago, but is now almost entirely out of cultivation, or was until we introduced it two years ago. Its long spiral sprays of foliage are very feathery and plume-like. Per pkt., 5 & 10.

Artemisia Gracilis.

Beautifully cut, feathery foliage of fine fragrance and great beauty. Its habit of growth is pyramidal, 4 to 5 feet high, and every branch is covered with a thick growth of fine feathery foliage, which is of the brightest emerald-green color. It is particularly adapted to cut-flower work, and all will find it useful and highly satisfactory. Sow seed in the open ground early. Per pkt., 5 & 10 cts.

Alyssum.

A favorite little annual, because of its fragrance and abundance of bloom. As easy to grow as any weed, and blooms from early summer until severe freezing weather in fall. Sow seed *very* early in open ground. Dainty little plants for hanging baskets or small pots. Good for cutting and button-hole bouquets. Per pkt.

Sweet—Racemes of small cruciform white flowers, honey-scented, and never out of bloom..... 5 & 10

Little Gem—An improved variety; much larger flowers of a pure white, and, if possible, more floriferous than the old Sweet. Plant is also more robust and spreading, a single plant forming a thick mat of flowers and foliage 12 to 15 inches across. **Three and four hundred spikes of flowers in full bloom can be counted on a good specimen plant at one time.** Indeed, **600** spikes have been counted on one plant..... 10 & 20

Argemone Grandiflora.

A cut of this beautiful flower cannot do it justice, especially as the page is not large enough to show flower natural size. The flower is of snowy whiteness, the center filled with golden stamens. Its shape is like that of a saucer, opening nearly flat its immense size making it very conspicuous. Grows 18 inches high, and has beautiful foliage. Few garden flowers are so singularly striking as this. It will be a genuine delight to all who plant it. Per pkt. 5 & 10 cts.

ASTERS.

The acknowledged queen of autumn annuals. Indispensable for the flower garden, fine as a show plant for fairs and exhibitions, and charming pot plants. Very profuse bloomers, with exceedingly beautiful flowers of most exquisite colors and almost perfect form. There are several forms of Asters, some being imbricated like a Rose, some loose and globular like a Pæony, while others are partly incurved like the Chrysanthemum. In regard to height, they are classified as tall, half-dwarf, and dwarfs. The tall varieties are fine for the center of large beds and for cutting, as their flowers are borne on long stems; the dwarfs are particularly fine for borders or for masses of one color, as they are so compact and bloom so profusely as to seem like so many bouquets set in the ground; the semi-dwarfs are good for all purposes and extra fine for pots.

It is a good plan to make two or more successive sowings, two weeks apart, to prolong the season of bloom; seeds can be sown in hotbed or house and afterwards transplanted; or they can be sown in open ground. In hot dry weather, mulch liberally with manure, or coarse litter, and do not let them suffer for water. Our list of varieties is a fine one. There is not a poor sort among them all.

New Rose—Tall sort, about two feet in height. One of the very best varieties, and a profuse bloomer. Outer petals are fully recurved, and inner petals beautifully incurved and imbricated like the Rose. Mixed colors. Per pkt.....5 & 10

New Rose, Pure White—Pure pearly white, exquisite [Pkt for cutting or wearing.....5 & 10

New Rose, Dark Red—Very rich, clear color.....5 & 10

New Rose, Blue—A beautiful shade of clear blue.....5 & 10

Truffaut's Pæony-Flowered—A valuable and standard variety—the most perfect Pæony type known. Tall-growing and bearing an enormous quantity of extra large double flowers, beautifully incurved and of every shade, from pure white to glowing crimson. Twenty colors, or more, mixed.....5 & 10

Reine Des Halles—A French introduction of much merit. This Aster is of medium height, robust and free flowering and *three weeks earlier than any other variety known*. Mixed colors.....5 & 10

Washington—Fine exhibition sort. A tall grower of pyramidal habit. The largest flowered Aster on the list; fine form and splendid colors; extra fine.....10 & 20

Dwarf Chrysanthemum-Flowered—Plants ten inches in height, perfect pyramids in bloom. Fine for edging, and especially valuable as a late bloomer. Mixed colors.....5 & 10

Dwarf Bouquet—Very compact, but 6 to 8 inches high, a mass of flowers from bottom to top. Mixed colors.5 & 10

Pompon Imbrique—Exquisite pompons of flowers, almost as round as a ball. Mixed colors.....5 & 10

Giant Emperor—Tall grower and robust habit. Each stalk usually bears one very double flower of mammoth size. Showy. Mixed colors.....10 & 20

Harlequin—Lovely pure white petals, irregularly interspersed with deep blue or bright red petals, making bright splashes and stripes of color over the snowy groundwork. Mixed colors.....10 & 20

Ball of Jewel—Plants very *short*, forming compact blossoms which are as round as a ball. Extra fine.....10 & 20

Snow Ball—A dwarf pure white variety with enormous flowers, beautifully imbricated, like an incurved Chrysanthemum. An exquisite variety...10 & 20

New Branching—An exceedingly beautiful strain. Flowers are borne on long stems and have the general appearance of exquisite large Chrysanthemums. Unsurpassed for cut flowers. Mixed colors.. 5 & 10

Pure White—Very beautiful and useful.....10 & 20

Japanese—New Asters of great size and beauty, like Japanese Chrysanthemums. Mixed colors.....5 & 10

Shakespeare—Dwarf variety, six inches in height. Novel shades of coloring, large globular flowers, and very floriferous. Mixed colors.....5 & 10

Quilled German—Plants tall and branching; flowers beautifully quilled and noted for the clearness of their colors. Profuse bloomers. Mixed colors.... 5 & 10

Victoria Needled—A favorite with those who are partial to quilled flowers. Flowers are formed of needle-like quills, large, freely produced, and show the fine coloring peculiar to the Victoria strains. Mixed colors..5 & 10

Dwarf Victoria, Mixed Colors—Generally called the finest Aster grown. Equally good for bedding, pots, or exhibition. Plants one foot in height, the foliage almost hidden by the great plumy flowers, three or four inches in diameter, of the most beautiful form, and of the most exquisite colors to be found.....10 & 20

White Wave—An extra fine white variety. Blossoms of fine shape, double to the center and pearly white. A profuse bloomer; grand for bedding or for pots.....10 & 20

Crimson Wave—Exactly like above, save color, which is a rich, clear crimson.....10 & 20

Triumph—Plants bear a profusion of large, perfect flowers, of a bright scarlet color. An extra fine sort...10 & 20

Lemon Gem—Not really a *yellow* Aster, but the nearest approach to that color. The flowers have a lovely, soft, lemon shade that is very pleasing.....10 & 20

Multiflora—An Aster of medium height, with pretty and abundant flowers. Fine colors. Mixed shades.10 & 20

Mignon—Something like the White Victoria, but more profuse in bloom. Very double flowers with reflexed petals, and of the purest, snowiest white.....5 & 10

Liliput-Flowered—Plant of medium height, almost smothered beneath a cloud of tiny button-like flowers as double as anything well can be. A charming sort.5 & 10

Giant Comet—New Asters of great beauty. The plants are tall and of much vigor, while the flowers are of such extraordinary size that they may without contest be said to be the largest of any in existence. Flowers are formed of large twisted and curled petals and look exactly like the most refined forms of Japanese Chrysanthemums. They must therefore take first place among Asters of unique beauty. Many colors, mixed.....10 & 20

Giant Comet, White—Immense size, snow white.....10 & 20

Giant Comet, Sulphur Yellow—Superb novelty.....10 & 20

Giant Comet, Rose—Lovely soft rose color.....10 & 20

SPECIAL OFFER—*For $1.50 we will send one packet each of these 32 superb Asters.*

BALSAM—CHILDS' CAMELLIA-FLOWERED PERFECTION.

Balsam—Childs' Camellia-Flowered Perfection.

For more than fifteen years Childs' Camellia-flowered Balsams have been a marvel to horticulture all over the world. The gigantic flowers, double and perfect like Camellias, and the wonderful profusion in which they are borne, has been a revelation to thousands who never before knew what really good Balsams were. It is not an uncommon sight to see more than five hundred of these magnificent large double blooms upon a plant at one time, the branches being perfect pyramids of bloom. The Balsam is one of the most beautiful and easiest-grown of all garden annuals. Seed may be started under glass early or sown in the open ground about corn planting time. A very rich soil is not necessary, but they like to have plenty of room, at least 18 inches apart each way. It is very hard to raise good Balsam seed, for they are inclined to deteriorate rapidly, and very little good seed is sold. Do not devote time or room to uncertain strains. Sow the genuine Childs' Camellia-Flowered Perfection and thereby make sure of having the best. These Balsams make beautiful pot as well as garden plants. Per pkt.

White—Flowers pure snowy white, and very large, double and perfect. A great favorite with florists, and one of the most profuse bloomers.....5 & 10

Light Pink—An exquisite shade of soft pink.....5 & 10

Pink—A superb sort, a clear, deep color.....5 & 10

Scarlet—Almost dazzling in brilliancy.....5 & 10

Striped—A clear frosted white, flaked and striped with rosy purple or scarlet, like a Carnation.....5 & 10

Lavender—Flowers suffused with a soft shade of lavender; blossoms as double as Roses and of beautiful shape, resembling a fine Tea Rose bud.....5 & 10

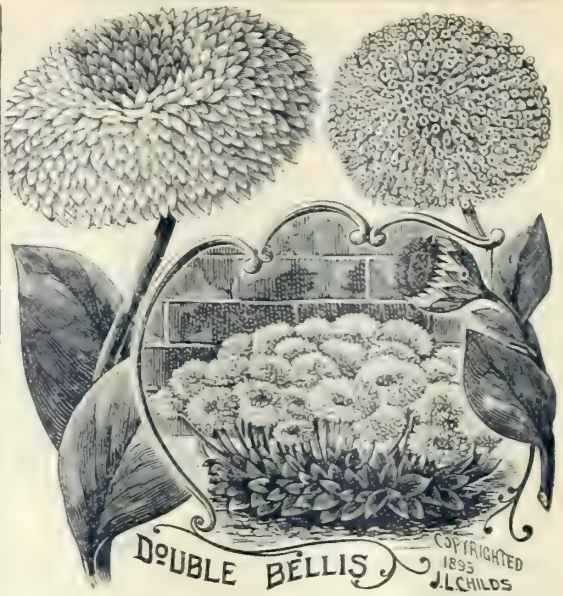
Fancy Spotted—Exceedingly showy. This strain shows rare and beautiful shades of coloring almost unknown in other flowers, and all spotted with pure white.....5 & 10

Preferred—Flowers pure white, overlaid by a delicate blush of lavender, that deepens toward the center, a line so delicate as to leave but a trace of color, yet so exquisitely soft and lovely that it seems perfection..5 & 10

Light Lemon—Not really yellow, but a fine shade of light sulphur or lemon. This is an entirely new shade in this class of plants and is much admired..... 5 & 10

Mixed Colors—No finer mixtures to be obtained anywhere. Seeds of all the above contained in the mixture. A great variety at little cost.....5 & 10

SPECIAL OFFER—*For only 40c. we will send one packet each of these ten fine Balsams.*



Bellis—(*Double Daisy.*)

Beautiful double flowers that appear in early spring if plants are slightly protected over winter. Blossoms also very early from spring-sown seed, as plants bloom when but two or three inches high. If given a cool, moist, shady location, will bloom all summer, even in the South. As pot plants they are charming and will bloom freely all winter, as they delight in cold weather. In the open ground, cultivate exactly as you would Pansies, and next to the Pansy, it is the most charming little garden flower. Per pkt.

Double, Mixed Colors—White, crimson, rose and variegated; very double.....5 & 10

Double, White—Pure color; handsome flower.....5 & 10

Longfellow—A deep, rich pink or crimson; extra large flower on long thick stalks. Fine for cutting. We have received plants of these in full bloom, that after three days' stay in the mail-bag were as fresh as ever and that when again potted, bloomed steadily.....5 & 10

Quilled—A new strain; the flowers composed of needle-like petals. Very curious and pretty. Mixed colors.5 & 10

Maxima, or Giant Daisy—No amount of praise can be too lavish for this new form of the charming little double Daisy which we all love so much and which, next to the Pansy, is our most cherished early spring flower. The flowers are from one to three times larger than the ordinary double Daisy, very perfect and double and of lovely colors, ranging from pure white through blush pink, rose, etc., to deep crimson. Many of the plants produce on one stem a cluster of 15 to 20 blossoms, instead of the usual solitary one. The blossoms are very large, unique and beautiful. The plants are exceedingly strong and vigorous, of compact habit, with large, healthy foliage, and throw up flower stems by the dozen. Not only do they bloom early in the spring, but continue all through the summer and fall, and also make splendid pot plants for winter blooming, flourishing in cool windows and rooms where few other plants will survive.....10 & 20

Brachycome.

A graceful Cineraria-like flower, often called Swan River Daisy. Plants bloom quickly from seed and remain in bloom a long time. Plants only grow from six to eight inches high, and are fine for edgings, as their blossoms are profusely borne and are pretty and attractive; also a fine basket plant for the house. Colors, blue, white, pink, etc., mixed....5 & 10

Bartonia, Aurea.

A bright-flowered annual, that commences to bloom a month after sowing the seed. Plant twenty inches in height, leaves downy and thistle-like, and flowers two inches or more across; of a shining bright metallic yellow, very showy and brilliant; stands drouth well. Sow where plants are to stand after ground gets warm in spring.....5 & 10

Carnation, New Marguerite.

A New Strain of Dwarf, Perpetual-Blooming Carnations which Flower in 3 or 4 Months from Seed.

This is still the great flower-seed novelty of the times, and here is offered the prize strain of seed. While others have sold seed which produced poor and single flowers, ours has always given at least 90 per cent. of the choicest double blossoms. The plant is of dwarf, compact and pretty habit, branching closely above the ground, with vigorous stalks which need not be supported by sticks. It flowers abundantly in a great variety of colors throughout the year, and the calyx never bursts. But what renders this variety far superior to any other is that the flowers appear in about three months after sowing the seed. Moreover, it produces at least 80 per cent. of double flowers, which are large and perfect. The plants grow easily everywhere, both in sandy soil or heavy loam and will give the greatest satisfaction. Indeed, they signify an improvement on all other Carnations, which nobody ever thought of. Think of getting Carnations in flower from seed in about four months, which last throughout the winter, and of various colors, white, pink, scarlet, purple, red, striped, mottled, flaked, variegated, etc. We say without hesitation that it is the most important flower-seed novelty in many years. They are alike valuable for pot-culture or for the garden. Do not sow cheap Marguerite Carnation seed; it will disappoint you. Per pkt.

Mixed Colors—Half dwarf, the finest strain, with large double blossoms, blooming in three months from time of sowing.....5 & 10
Pure White—Extra fine.....5 & 10
Rosea—Fine clear rose color.....5 & 10
Scarlet—Deep, bright shade.....5 & 10
Purple—A remarkably rich color.....5 & 10
Violet—Fine violet color.....5 & 10
Striped and Variegated—Many colors. All beautifully striped, blotched, mottled and variegated....5 & 10
One packet each of the seven above offered for 30 cts.
New Dwarf—Plants of dwarf, stout habit, and flowers extra large in size and brilliant in colors. See cut above. A greatly improved strain. All colors, mixed...10 & 20
Malmaison—New Giant-flowered Malmaison type of Marguerite Carnations. See Novelties.

Cynoglossum, Linifolium.

Pretty sprays of dainty white flowers; very sweet and graceful. Fine for small bouquets, or as a bed plant, and grows quickly and easily from seed. A truly lovely garden flower which all admire. Per pkt., 5 & 10 cts.

Chrysanthemum.—(*Annual.*)

These bright, graceful flowers are yearly growing in favor. Plants grow from 12 to 18 inches high and bear a profusion of bloom, each flower being belted and zoned with the most clear and vivid of colors. This intenseness of coloring has earned them the name of "Painted Daisies."

Carinatum Hybrids—Mixed, elegant colors.....5 & 10
Carinatum Hybrids—Double, mixed colors.....5 & 10
Inodorum Plenissimum—Dwarf and free flowering, very double and pure white; elegant for pots.....5 & 10
Golden Feather—Grand sort with bright yellow foliage and charming blossoms.....5 & 10

Calliopsis.

The Calliopsis, or Coreopsis, is one of our brightest, cheeriest annuals, and as easy to grow as any weed. Sow in open ground quite early, and thin to six inches apart. Plants grow rapidly and are soon a mass of bloom. The myriads of gay flowers, poised on long foot-stalks above the foliage, make a mass or bed of these a dazzling sight. The flowers are particularly fine for bouquets, and should be cut freely, as by this means the period of blooming is prolonged. Per pkt

Dwarf Compact—Mixed colors; fine low-growing plants producing thousands of blossoms in wavy masses. 5 & 10

Golden Wave—A row of this plant is truly a wave of gold, and nothing but its brilliant yellow color can be seen, so numerous are the blossoms. It is of compact growth; flowers very large, exceedingly showy, and are produced in great masses all summer. A most showy plant, rivaling in beauty and profusion of bloom the famous Coreopsis Lanceolata..... .....5 & 10

New Double - This new double form of the old Coreopsis is a most desirable flower for garden culture, as it grows freely and blooms continually in any soil or situation. The flowers possess all the rich and varied colors of the single form, and are always greatly admired, being such a novelty. All colors mixed.....5 & 10

Canna.

For fine flowering Cannas, see Canna page in this Catalogue, among Specialties and Novelties.

Mixed Sorts—A choice collection of all varieties.5 & 10

Dark Foliage—Mixed; all dark, beautiful foliage sort.....5 & 10

Mad. Crozy—Magnificent sort..10 & 20

Crozy's Dwarf Flowering—Mixed colors. These can be classed among the grandest of all flowering plants. They begin blooming very early from seed and continue all summer, making a display which for brilliancy cannot be surpassed..10 & 20

Candytuft.

This good old annual has been a garden favorite for three hundred years. A fine edging plant, and good for cutting. The new Empress is extra fine for massing, or for ribbon gardening, as plants of it are solid sheets of white when in bloom. Sow *very early* in open ground, and keep seed heads picked off for a constant succession of bloom. The dwarf Tom Thumb is our favorite. Per pkt.

All Colors, Mixed Many fine shades.....5 & 10

Pure White—A favorite for floral work.....5 & 10

Rocket—White, in pyramidal clusters.....5 & 10

Dark Crimson—Good bright color.....5 & 10

Empress This new pure white Candytuft forms a dense, bushy plant of a spreading habit, and bears its snowy flowers in endless profusion. It is sure to delight all 10 & 20

Tom Thumb—Mixed colors. The ideal Candytuft. Dwarf, bushy plants, growing only 4 to 6 inches high, but bearing most profusely compact spirals of bloom of great beauty. Superb.....5 & 10

Cherianthus, Fairy Queen.

This fine little flower is a close relative of the Stock and Wallflower. One of those bright flowers that give a quick return for one's care, blooming a month after seed is sown, either in garden or pots. One who has never seen them does not realize how bright and pretty their little clusters of maltese-cross-shaped flowers are. They form a perfect mass of bloom, and for small bouquets, filling floral baskets, etc., they are just the flower one needs in quantity. Bright, without being big, and cheerful without being gaudy. Very easy to grow, and sweet-scented.....5 & 10

CHERIANTHUS.

Cleome.—(*Spider Flower.*)

Extra fine garden annual, growing well in either wet or dry seasons, and in bloom every day for months like enormous panicles of Hydrangea.

Pungens—Enormous heads of bloom, some of the flowers being deep crimson and others light pink, contrasting elegantly..... ..... 5 & 10

Alba—The flowers are borne in large clusters, are of snowy whiteness, with long, scraggy stamens which stand out in all directions, suggesting its common name, "Spider Flower." It is one of the very few exceedingly beautiful flowers which will flourish like a weed in any situation for anyone.....5 & 10

Cosmos.

A grand fall flower, the only rival to the Dahlia and Chrysanthemum. Sow seed early in spring, and plants will bloom from September to November. In the North give sheltered position, as severe frosts injure the flowers. Give light, rich soil, and support each plant by tying to a stout, deeply-driven stake, as the plants are top-heavy in bloom, and easily blown over. Each plant will reach a height of from 4 to 7 feet, and a more beautiful object is rarely seen. The feathery, dark-green foliage forms a filmy setting for the hundreds of graceful, Daisy-like flowers that make each plant like some huge bouquet. The pure white, soft pink, and deep crimson shades are exquisite, and for cutting or wearing they have no superior. Cuttings taken in August root freely and make fine pot plants for winter decoration, being dwarfer than in open ground. An extra fine flower for the South and Southwest. It was first introduced by us about ten years ago.

Per pkt.

Childs' Hybrids, Mixed—All colors mixed, white, pink, crimson, rose, purple, etc.....5 & 10

Childsi—Pure snow white; introduced by us but has been re-named "Pearl," "Snow Cloud," etc., by others...5 & 10

Soft Pink—Lovely shade.....5 & 10

Dark Crimson—Fine deep color.....5 & 10

Conchita—A new Cosmos, with color and texture like crimson velvet.....5 & 10

Dwarf Hybrid Yellow—This is evidently half-way between a Cosmos and a Coreopsis, with flowers like the former and foliage like the latter. It grows but two or three feet in height and blooms profusely all summer, the blossoms being as large and in every way as fine as Childs' Hybrid or fall blooming Cosmos. The flowers are borne on long wiry stems and are of a beautiful yellow color, superior to Early Golden in every respect.....10 & 20

Celosia.—(*Cockscomb.*)

The old Cockscomb of our mothers' gardens, but vastly improved or late years. Its huge combs, from six inches to a foot across, are of the most fiery gorgeous colors, unlike anything else in the floral kingdom. Good specimens are very fine all the late summer and autumn, and our best parks make use of thousands of them for autumn bedding. Start in heat and transplant to open ground after danger of frost is over. As pot plants they are also much admired, their beautifully frilled and ruffled heads attracting much attention.

Dwarf Mixed—A fine mixture of all colors, of dwarf habit, but producing enormous heads of bloom. Elegant for pots.....5 & 10

Variegated—Tall growth, with combs beautifully striped and variegated, yellow and scarlet.....5 & 10

New Tree—This splendid sort is so hardy and vigorous that seed may be sown in the open ground in the spring, instead of starting it under glass. It grows rapidly, reaching the height of 5 or 6 feet, and branches freely, producing several heads of enormous size, and dark, rich crimson in color. It is very effective and should be in every garden for not only is it the easiest to grow, but the most showy of all Cockscombs.....5 & 10

Centaurea Cyanus.

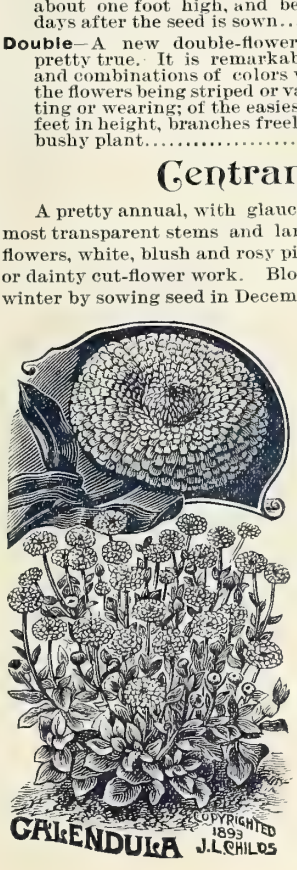
Two new varieties of this old favorite flower are here offered, and have become very popular as cut flowers, especially for corsage wearing.

Victoria—The leading German novelty of two years ago, and a most unique little plant which forms a dense mass of foliage and branches, above which is borne hundreds of lovely blue blossoms. It grows about one foot high, and begins to flower within 30 days after the seed is sown.....5 & 10

Double—A new double-flowered form which comes pretty true. It is remarkable for the new shades and combinations of colors which it shows, many of the flowers being striped or variegated. Fine for cutting or wearing; of the easiest possible culture. Two feet in height, branches freely, and forms a compact, bushy plant.....5 & 10

Centranthus.

A pretty annual, with glaucous foliage, pale green, almost transparent stems and large clustered heads of tiny flowers, white, blush and rosy pink. Very fine for bouquets or dainty cut-flower work. Blooms freely in pots during winter by sowing seed in December. Mixed colors.....5 & 10



Calendula.

The name of this flower is derived from the fact that it will bloom every calendar month of the year. If seed is sown early in open ground, plants will be in bloom by June, and will blossom continuously until after severe frosts of late autumn. It is also a good pot plant for winter, especially for cold rooms and its large, double blooms are at all times welcome.

Mixed Colors—All fine and double.....5 & 10

Meteor—Petals beautifully marked with two distinct shades of yellow. Very double and beautiful.5 & 10

Whirlpool—A superb flower; large, double and perfect to the center; rich, deep yellow. A fine plant for fall and winter blooming in pots, being of dwarf, robust habit, blooming all the time.....5 & 10

Dianthus.

(CARDEN PINK.)

An indispensable garden flower. A flower fitted equally to adorn the poor man's garden or the spacious grounds of the millionaire. Never out of place in any situation. Succeeds in any soil. Stands neglect, heat and cold and is as near iron-clad as plant can well be. Like their near relative, the Carnation, the Dianthus is superlatively beautiful, many varieties possessing a radiant-like fire that is impossible to describe, but is the very acme of richness and beauty. A grand flower for cutting or flower work, and succeeds well in pots for winter bloom if treated like Carnations. Sow early either in house or open ground, and plants will not only bloom all summer and fall, but will survive the winter and bloom the next season. Never sow any but the best seed of Dianthus, if you would have the choicest flowers. Grows about one foot in height, branching freely, and is always strong and erect. Per pkt.

Diadematus, flora plena—Splendid double flowers of the richest, darkest shades, fringed, mottled, striped, spotted, flaked, margined, etc., in a most odd and beautiful manner.....10 & 20

Atropurpurea—A very fine shade dark red.....5 & 10

Double White—Fine for contrast.....5 & 10

Laciniatus—Finely fringed and laciniated flowers of large size; very double and perfect.....5 & 10

Striatus—Large, double, striped flowers.....10 & 20

Eastern Queen—Grand flowers 3 or 4 inches across, beautifully striped and shaded, and having colors which are like the richest silks.....5 & 10

Mourning Cloak—A rich variety of most unique coloring. Large double flowers of a velvety purplish black, each petal tipped and fringed with snowy white....5 & 10

Crimson Bell—Immense flowers of a rich crimson red. A grand flower of the single Heddewiggii type, and a beautiful companion to Eastern Queen and the Bride5 & 10

Imperialis—Double Imperial Pinks. Robust, bushy growers bearing great quantities of large, double flowers of rich glowing colors.....5 & 10

Brilliant—A dwarf grower with numerous double flowers of a dark, rich red, as large and fine as Carnations. A beautiful variety and comes true from seed 5 & 10

The Bride—A very dwarf, compact plant, but with flowers of the largest size and of the richest possible combination of colors. The groundwork of the flower is a clear, pure white, with a radiant, glowing, crimson, center, shading into a pink band next to the white border.....5 & 10

Mixed—Our own mixture, of the most beautiful double and single sorts, and of every desirable shade or peculiar marking. This mixed seed will give a bed of beautiful flowers, and scarcely two plants will be alike in bloom. They will bloom from early until late, and may be lifted in autumn, and potted for blooming in the house. Few garden flowers equal the Dianthus, and none are more satisfactory.....10 & 20

Datura Cornucopia.

Much like the double Brugmansia, except it is more dwarf in habit, and a fine lilac and white color. Blooms in 2 or 3 months from seed and is a superb flower for the garden, or as a pot plant, both summer and winter. Flowers like great trumpets; quite double and of fine fragrance.....5 & 10

Sweet Nightingale—One of the finest garden flowers. Plants rapid and bushy growers, crowned with great lily-like blooms a foot in length, like an enormous trumpet, white as snow and deliciously scented. It is a fine plant for the center of a bed of evening bloomers or to use at the base of a rockery. One plant in bloom will scent up a whole garden or lawn 5& 10

Dahlia.

We still find difficulty in convincing our customers that good Dahlias can be grown from seed, and that plants will bloom the first season from seed. We only wish we could show all doubters some of the magnificent flowers grown from our seeds. Anyone who can raise a Zinnia or a Morning Glory from seed, can grow Dahlias from seed. They are remarkably easy to germinate, and from the very seed-leaf the plants are stocky and sturdy. Seed sown in the house in March or April will produce flowering plants as soon as plants grown from tubers. We know this to be so by repeated experiments of our own, and our customers write us the same thing. Some of the finest, largest Dahlias, and the richest colors we have ever seen, were among seedlings. Give good soil, and never let the plants suffer for water, and our word for it, you will be more than satisfied. Out of a large paper of seed we have known not two plants to be alike in flower, while there was every color represented, from snow white to blackish maroon. Start seed in house, and transplant to open ground after frost is gone. Per pkt.

Double Large Flowering, Mixed—Will produce some magnificent varieties.....10 & 20

Double Pompon, Mixed—Extra choice strain.....10 & 20

New Single, Mixed Strain—Flowers very large and of rainbow colors. Exceedingly popular as cut flowers.5 & 10

Cracilis, Mixed Colors—Fine cut foliage, and a profusion of brilliantly striped and flecked blossoms.....5 & 10

Cactus—A new class of broad-petaled double flowers, esteemed by many the finest of all. Very distinct and extra for cutting.....10 & 20

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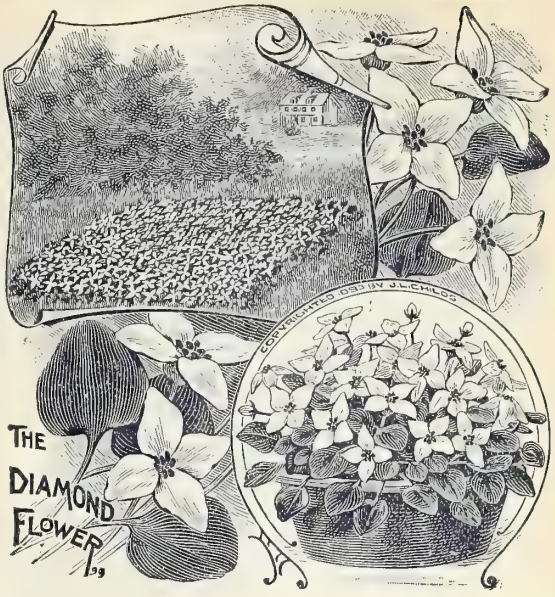


Diamond Flower.—(*Ionopsidium.*)

A dainty little annual with tufts of tiny foliage and beautiful little white and violet-blue flowers that bloom within a month from the time seed is sown. It will grow in the open ground, over rock-work, or in pots, never exceeding three inches in height, and rarely two. The tiny flowers have a glistening sheen that has given them their name of Diamond Flower, and being surrounded by a wreath of bright green foliage, they show to wonderful advantage. For pot culture in winter it is just superb. Sprinkle a few seeds in a small pot or saucer, or in pots where other plants are growing, and within a month you will have the most charming mat of foliage and flowers—covering the surface of the soil like moss—that you ever saw. In the garden it will grow and seed all summer, covering the ground with a perfect carpet of beauty. In the fall the self-sown seed will come up and bloom profusely from October until spring, regardless of ice and snow, making a lovely bed of flowers all winter. Per pkt.

Diamond Flower—(IONOPSIDIUM ACAULE).....10 & 20

Eschscholtzia.

The Eschscholtzia is one of the hardiestand most easily-grown of our annuals. It is also a very showy one, growing rapidly and coming into bloom soon after the plants are above ground. The foliage is finely cut and handsome, and the flowers exceedingly showy, large and freely produced. It is a fine flower for blooming in pots,especially in winter.

Californica—Fine golden yellow. A most showy flower.....5 & 10

Double White—New .5 & 10

Mixed Colors—Many sorts.....5 & 10

Maritima—A new sort with whitish grey foliage, finely cut and fern-like, and large light canary colored blossoms, with deep spots at base of each petal..5 & 10

Fenzlia.

Charming low-growing plants, forming mat-like tufts of foliage, thickly dotted by a long succession of beautiful white or rose-purple throated flowers. An extra fine little plant for edging or carpet-bedding, or for baskets in the house. Blooms very quickly from seed.

Dianthiflora—A superb little flower, rosy pink.....5 & 10

Alba—Fine pure white, and contrasts well with the pink.5 & 10

Feverfew.

Fine border plants that are always in flower. They bloom quickly from seed, and are extra good for cutting. They also make fine plants for winter blooming in pots. Flowers large and double, like Roses and very profusely borne at all times of the year. Habit, dwarf and compact, making them very desirable either for garden or for pots. Per pkt.

Little Belle—Fine snow white, very dwarf.....5 & 10
Little Fred—Pure golden yellow, very dwarf.....5 & 10
Capensis, fl. pl.—The fine old double white Feverfew.5 & 10
Eximia Grandiflora—A new large flowering Feverfew which is very beautiful. Flowers enormous in size, as double as Roses and pure snow white. A most superb pot plant, blooming all the year round.....10 & 20
Golden Feather—Beautiful yellow foliage.....5 & 10
Selaginoides—The lovely fern-leaved Feverfew; extra.5 & 10

Gaillardia Perfection.

These are aptly called the Chrysanthemum Gaillardias, owing to their great size, brilliant colors and double and perfect blossoms. Flowers are of enormous size, perfectly double, and borne in great profusion all summer, while the colors and variegations are the most brilliant and beautiful imaginable, scarlet, red, orange, purple, lemon, buff, etc. As pot plants they are also exquisite. Start seed early if possible.10 & 20

GODETIA.

Godetia.—(*Satin Flower.*)

A handsome flower, and particularly useful because it will grow in shady places, where so few really fine flowers can be grown. They bloom a long time and so profusely that the foliage is almost hidden by the many large, wide-open flowers of shining, satin texture, and of the most delicate and lovely colors. This flower grows more popular each year, and it well deserves the partiality shown it. Per pkt.

Mixed Colors—All shades.....5 & 10

Gypsophila, Elegans.

Everyone who is fond of bouquets ought to grow this. It produces long, fine, mist-like sprays of tiny white flowers that are one of the finest things in the world for all cut flower work, softening all hard lines, toning down all glaring colors, and giving the finish to a bouquet that filmy lace does to a rich dress. Blooms soon after sowing seed....5 & 10

Trailing Hollyhock.

This is a hardy perennial, sending out vines which trail over the ground in a beautiful manner. It is really a beautiful minature Trailing Hollyhock, the leaves and flowers being similar to that glorious old plant, and it has the double advantage of being a constant bloomer from early spring until late fall. The flowers are bright crimson in color and produced freely, as are also its vines and foliage. We have nothing more beautiful, especially for rock work, mounds, or nooks and corners where a trailing plant is desirable. Perfectly hardy in any situation. Blooms in ninety days from seed, and continues all the season year after year..5 & 10

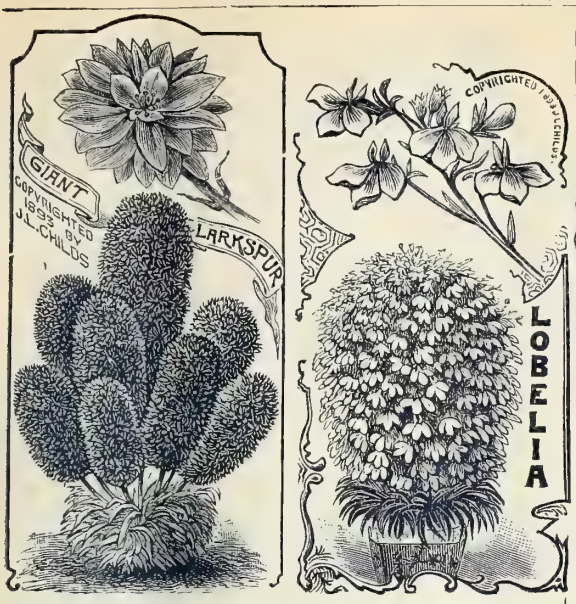
Helianthus.—(*Sunflower.*)

Some of the newer sorts of the old-fashioned Sunflower are really very fine. The following two sorts are the best:

New Double Dwarf—Compact grower, with double flowers of great size and beauty.....5 & 10
Multiflorus—If planted singly in good soil this new Sunflower reaches the enormous height of from 12 to 15 feet, and is richly branched from the base up to the top, each branch bearing a multitude of medium-sized golden yellow flowers with small black center, which offer an invaluable material for bouquets and garnishing purposes. An elegant plant..... 5 & 10

Hibiscus Golden Bowl.

For two years this wonderfully beautiful flower has attracted attention at Floral Park, and received more lavish praise than the choicest hot house exotic. It is a plant which grows about two feet high and begins to bloom early from spring sown seed, the enormous flower measuring 5 or 6 inches across, beautifully cupped and of the most exquisite, soft canary yellow with a large black center. These marvelously beautifully flowers are borne in great profusion all summer, and if the plants are potted before frost, will continue to bloom in the window all winter. A pot of the rarest beauty and most easily grown. Seed may be sown in the open ground or started early inside.....5 & 10



Larkspur.

An old-fashioned, but none the less valuable annual with large, compact spikes of showy flowers, in shades of white, pink, red, blue, etc. Sow seed very early in open ground, or even in late autumn. Per pkt.

Double Dwarf Mixed—.....5 & 10

Hyacinth Flowered—Great Hyacinth-like spikes of large double flowers. Mixed colors.....5 & 10

Lobelia.

Charming little plants for small beds, edgings, baskets, etc. Graceful and pretty, and colors exceedingly clear. A most charming pot plant for winter culture, blooming in four weeks and making the prettiest little pots of flowers.

Crystal Palace—Dark blue, best for bedding.....5 & 10

Erecta Alba—Fine white.....5 & 10

Emp. William—Light blue, very compact.....5 & 10

New Double Dwarf Mixed Colors—A Lovely dwarf, compact sort, bearing hundreds of beautiful double blossoms of various colors.....10 & 20

Royal Purple—Extra fine, with dark stalks and large, deep blue flowers, having a distinct white eye.....5 & 10

Coldeise—A compact, low-growing variety, the foliage of which is golden-yellow and is most charmingly set off by the hundreds of blossoms which the plant carries of the brightest, deepest blue, with a pure white eye. We have never seen in one plant a more charming contrast between flowers and foliage than is shown in this most superb novelty.....5 & 10

Lychnis.

Hardy perennials that bloom the first season. Sow seed early in open ground. Colors very brilliant and showy.

Mixed Colors—Many fine old sorts.....5 & 10

Burning Star—A blaze of brilliancy for months if plants are kept from seeding, Star-like blossoms covering the dwarf bushy plants as with a cloud. Perfectly hardy, and blooms even better the second season than the first. One of the most brilliant of garden flowers. Mixed colors.....5 & 10

Mesembryanthemum.

These are the well-known Ice Plants and Dew Plants, succulent plants with peculiar crystalized foliage that sparkles in the sun as though coated with minute particles of dew or ice. In addition the flowers are numerous and pretty, and the plants bear sun and drouth admirably.

Crystallinum (Ice Plant).—Its leaves glisten like ice.5 & 10

Tri-Color (Dew Plant).—A lovely trailing plant.....5 & 10

Mimulus.

Beautiful little plants, with the daintiest and prettiest flowers imaginable. Will not succeed in hot sun, but is just the plant for cool, shady beds, or for baskets or pots in poorly lighted windows. Seeds fine, and need care in sowing. Great favorites with those who have once grown them. In exquisite coloring these flowers rival the Gloxinia.

Mixed Sorts—All colors (Monkey Flower).....5 & 10

Moschatus—(Musk Plant). Well-known for its fine musky fragrance.....5 & 10

Double Mixed—Double flowers; splendidly spotted....10 & 20

Tigrinus Grandiflorus—Flowers size of a Petunia, and of very bright and striking colors. all spotted, tigered and variegated in a most charming manner. Fine as pot plants, rivaling the Gloxinia.....10 & 20

Marigold.

Petted by our grandmothers, neglected by our mothers, now once more on the high wave of popularity. Bright, showy flowers, that only need the slightest care to do well and blossom freely. Per pkt.

French, Mixed Colors—Double flowers, rich dark shade.5 & 10

African, Mixed Colors—Shades of yellow; very large and double; tall grower.....5 & 10

Dahlia-Flowered—One of the best new Marigolds, growing very rank and tall, and studded with enormous double Dahlia-like flowers. The colors range from the palest canary yellow to a deep, full orange. Set one to two feet apart, and if any plants prove single pull them up. The double ones will soon fill up all gaps with their wide branching. Sow a few for winter blooming....5 & 10

Pygmae—Babies among Marigolds. Plants only reach the height of 9 or 10 inches, but are full of bloom. Flowers a light velvety brown, bordered with yellow.5 & 10

Legend of Honor—A most sterling variety. Plant very dwarf and compact, bearing its flowers well above the foliage. These are of large size and exceedingly striking, owing to the wide contrast in their colors. The center of the flower is a bright brownish-red, while the outer half is fine golden-yellow. It is really the prettiest Marigold we have ever seen and should be found in every garden. It blooms profusely all summer, and in autumn, especially, the whole plant is a solid pyramid of bloom.....5 & 10

One packet each of the five sorts for 20c.

MIMULUS TIGRINUS GRANDIFLORUS.

Mignonette.

Mignonette is the French word for "little darling." No more expressive word could well be found for the sweet, homely flower that by its merits alone has won its way as the favorite of all, though hundreds of showier flowers were its rivals. No garden is complete without its plot of Mignonette, no nosegay finished without its sprig of this sweet-smelling flower. We pride ourselves on our choice strains of this favorite flower, and believe no finer seed can be procured anywhere. Sow early in the ground for summer blooming, and in pots any time for the window. Per pkt.

Common Sweet—The old small-flowered variety; very sweet. Per oz., 20c ..... 5 & 10

Pyramidal or Giant Tree—A robust grower, with numerous large spikes of flowers; very sweet..... 5 & 10

Giant White Spiral—First introduced by us several years ago. Very distinct from all other sorts; rank, luxuriant foliage, deeply cut and decidedly ornamental. Each plant bears great quantities of large, snow-white spikes, that are very pretty for cutting and for small bouquets. Grows well also in pots. Grows and blooms in any situation with greater freedom than any other sort.....5 & 10

Machet—The finest of all. Plant bushy and a profuse bloomer, with extra large spikes of a pretty brick-red color; exceedingly fragrant. Much inferior seed of this variety is on the market. Ours is strictly pure..10 & 20

Golden Queen—Pyramidal habit, with flowers of a yellowish color. Very good.....5 & 10

Crimson Queen—A fine variety with large spikes of dark red flowers..... 5& 10

Improved Victoria This new Mignonette is one of the most desirable novelties we have seen for a long time. It grows only six to twelve inches in height and is sure to put every lover of flowers in ecstasy by its perfectly regular, pyramidal habit and the beautifully formed spikes of the prettiest red Mignonette flowers ever seen. We consider this the finest of all Mignonettes, either for the garden or for pot culture. Its large, compact spikes are exceedingly fragrant, seeming to surpass in this respect all other varieties. It is a robust and healthy grower and succeeds well even in dry soil and hot sun, where most Mignonettes fail.....10 & 20

For 40c. we will send one packet each of the seven sorts.

Mimosa (*Sensitive Plant.*)

A curious plant, with delicate fern-like leaves that fold closely together if touched, as though they were wilted by a hot blast. In a short time they again revive. It is a very beautiful plant and furnishes endless amusement. Pkt. 5 & 10

Mirabilis.

Much used in the now popular "evening" beds, and also for summer hedges, low screens, etc., for which their uniform, bushy growth well adapts them. Plants are crowded for months with innumerable silk-like flowers of the most ravishing colors, and exhaling a delicious perfume. Indeed, the celebrated "Jockey Club" perfume is made from Longiflora. These flowers owe their common name of "Four-o'clock" to the regularity with which their beautiful flowers open at that hour each afternoon. Per pkt.

Improved Mixed Colors—White, scarlet, yellow, etc..5 & 10

Tom Thumb Mixed colors. A new dwarf strain of great beauty. Grows only 12 inches high, and each plant is a compact mass of lovely yellowish leaves, which in evening are hidden by hundreds of gay blossoms of all colors and variegations.....5 & 10

Myosotis.

The beautiful Forget-me-not is a synonym for faithfulness and undying affection. Beautiful for shady nooks and quiet beds, and exquisite for cutting and for wearing. Like the Pansy there is something almost human in the expression of these modest little flowers, that look you frankly in the eye as though they had something to tell you. Though perennials, they bloom the first season. They are also fine for pot culture in a shady window where few plants will bloom. Per pkt.

Rosea (Clivenden Pink)—A charming rose color.....5 & 10
Palustrus—Elegant blue flowers of large size.....5 & 10
Alpestris—Pure white.....5 & 10
Elegantissima—Neat pyramidal growth; mixed.....5 & 10
Dwarf, Nixed Colors—Small, bushy growth, large blossoms.....5 & 10
Fairy Gem—This is an annual variety that, sown in open ground, will bloom in July. Its flowers are a beautiful blue and profusely borne.....5 & 10

One packet each of the six sorts, 25c.

Nicotiana.

Fine for separate clumps or masses, or for the center of beds of evening bloomers. One of the easiest of all plants to grow, and equally fine for outdoor culture or for winter blooming in pots. Its long, tubular, star-pointed flowers are pure white, exceedingly fragrant and very profusely borne. It is one of the few plants that will flower well without a single ray of direct sunshine, and, for shaded grounds and north windows, is invaluable.

Affinis—Three feet high, with hundreds of fragrant blossoms borne for months without intermission.....5 & 10
Decurrens—A dwarfer and more branching variety than Affinis, equally beautiful and even more profuse..10 & 20

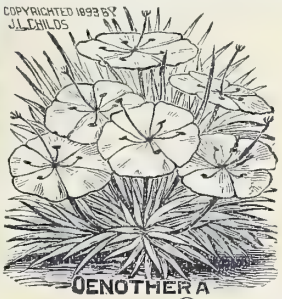
Nymphæa.

Lovely Pond Lilies of which everyone is so fond. Many of the new foreign varieties grow and bloom from seed the first year, and among them there are a great variety of colors, white, yellow, blue, purple, etc. Seed should be sown in a pan or saucer of mud, just covered with water. In a warm temperature they will germinate quickly and grow rapidly. These Lilies have a fragrance rich and peculiar; considered by many to be superior to any other flower.

Zanzibarensis, Blue—The grand day-blooming African Water Lily, with enormous incurved flowers of most exquisite coloring, and so profuse blooming that a tub of them is never without flowers from early summer until frost. They grow so rapidly that they will bloom in ten weeks from seed, and are so little trouble anyone can succeed with them. Give them a very rich soil, full sun, and shallow water to start in. The larger the vessel that contains them the ranker they grow, and the larger their flowers, but they will bloom in a common bucket, even. Seed should be sown in cups of soil and tepid water.....10 & 20
Zanzibarensis, Red—Like the above, except in color, which is a fine purplish red.....10 & 20
Dentata (Night-Blooming Star Lily)—There is nothing among water plants finer than this. Opens about eight o'clock in the evening, and closes at noon the next day. Star-like blossoms, pearly white, and blooms freely from seed the first season.....10 & 20
Coerulea—A lovely Pond Lily, four inches across, and of a beautiful lavender blue color. It has a remarkable fragrance, differing from all others.....10 & 20
Alba—A lovely pure white Water Lily of great beauty and fragrance.....5 & 10

Nigella, Dwarf.

Often called Love-in-a-mist, from the curious way in which the pretty blue blossoms are veiled by the feathery, close-enveloping foliage. 15 inches. An easy and rapid grower of much beauty. Dwarf, mixed colors.....5 & 10



NIGELLA.

Oenothera.

Large, saucer-shaped blooms of the purest white or softest, richest shades of yellow, and deliciously fragrant. The swollen buds expand at dusk with a sudden "snap" that always delights the children and interests the adults...5 & 10

GIANT EXCELSIOR
PANSIES

Pansy.

A universal favorite with young and old. Every child sees the face in the Pansy, and aside from its great beauty, we all treasure it as the symbol of modest worth and true affection. The smallest yard must have its Pansies. Not poor, foreign plants, struggling unaided with heat and drouth and hard baked ground, though even there yielding us handfuls of cheery bloom; but, rather, strong, vigorous plants, rioting in the cool, deep, mellow beds they love, made rich with fertilizers, kept free from weeds and shaded from the hot afternoon sun. In such a bed one may gather great velvety Pansies by the hundreds—flowers so radiantly beautiful that they scarcely seem of the earth. Although the Pansy loves coolness, and gives its largest, finest blooms in early spring and late autumn, they are so easy to grow that those living in the South can grow superb ones by giving rich bed, sheltered location and abundant water. Sow seed either in house or in open ground. In the open ground sow seed very early in spring, while the ground is yet cool and moist, for late summer and fall bloom, or in August and September for spring and early summer bloom. For fall-sown seed have the bed moist and kept shaded by boards or papers until the plants appear. These will make vigorous plants that will endure the winter if protected by a few evergreen boughs, or other light covering. Do not let the plants seed if you wish to keep them in bloom. Poor Pansy seed is dear at any price. Ours is saved with great care and is the best

Per pkt.

Extra Choice Large Flowering—Mixed; very good....5 & 10
Extra Select Large Belgian—Large, showy flowers...5 & 10
Snow Queen—Very large and of snowy whiteness.....5 & 10
Yellow Bird—A selection of the Giant Trimardeau type with very large flowers of a clear deep glossy yellow.5 & 10
Cassier's Giant Odier—Seed saved only from selected flowers of the very largest size and most beautiful blotchings. A very distinct strain.....5 & 10
Bugnot's Superb Mixed—Needs no praise, for it is already famous as the best selection of a noted Pansy fancier. Flowers extraordinary in size and coloring.10 & 20
Peacock—A Pansy of superb and varied colors, most of them showing that glorious and luminous bronze-blue seen only in peacock feathers. It is a finely colored strain and cannot be too highly praised.....10 & 20
Ne Plus Ultra—A strain of peculiarly rich coloring..5 & 10
Trimardeau Giant—A distinct strain, with very large flowers and wide range of coloring.....5 & 10
Fire King—Fiery yellow and reddish purple, rich and unique coloring.....5 & 10
Silver Edged—Dark, rich velvety purple, with distinct white edge. Lovely for cutting and for funeral work.5 & 10
Black Giant Flowered—A new black Pansy of the largest size; a rich coal-black; very fine and striking...10 & 20
Cardinal—Deep scarlet, the brightest color in Pansies..5 & 10
Fancy Margined—A unique strain, as the blossoms, which are of various colors, are all margined with white or gold. Extra large and of exceptional beauty10 & 20
Giant Excelsior—It is impossible to do justice to these lovely flowers in a printed description. Cold type cannot convey an idea of the indescribable richness, the varied and exquisite coloring, the large size, perfect form, and great substance of the blossoms. Plants are compact and bushy, and produce great quantities of flowers, borne well above the foliage on strong stems. Owing to their vigor this strain withstands the hot and dry weather better than any other variety, and produces its great, beautiful blossoms in profusion all summer. Over a hundred different shades and combinations of colors have been counted in one bed of this strain.....10 & 20

One packet each of above fifteen sorts for 75c.

CHILDS' SUPERFINE PANSY.

The Pansy is our leading specialty in seeds, and testimonials show that for years we have sold the finest Pansy seed that has been sold in this country. As the introducers of the Imperial German and Giant Excelsior we have had the finest strains of these, the best of all Pansies; Childs' Superfine is merely a careful selection from them. The plants which show the greatest vigor and perfection in growth, and beauty in size and shape of flower, are selected for seed. They are carefully cultivated and the seeds saved only from a few of the largest and most perfect flowers of the finest colors. We grow it in Northern Germany, where the Pansy attains the greatest perfection, and we can emphatically say that this is the finest Pansy seed ever offered in the world; the very best that can be grown or had at any price. Per pkt. of 25 seeds, 30c.

SCARLET AND FANCY STRIPED PANSIES.

We have a strain of Scarlet and one of Striped Pansies, which are particularly fine.

Scarlet and Red Shades, Mixed—This is a mixture of all the new colors in scarlet and red which have been recently introduced, such as Fiery Face, Cardinal, Fire King, etc. It runs largely to very bright colors.10 & 20
Fancy Striped—A strain of Pansy made up of various colors, all elegantly striped and variegated. It is very striking and odd and always greatly admired.....10 & 20

IMPERIAL GERMAN PANSIES.

Introduced by us several years ago, and now a household word in the land. Many inferior stocks have been placed on the market under the name, but, as the introducers, we may be depended upon to furnish the true variety. Large flowers of the finest coloring; stout, robust, bushy growth, withstanding heat and producing fine large flowers during the entire summer. Flowers of great substance and beauty.

Cloriosa Perfecta—An indescribably lovely flower; a reddish steel-blue, with distinct red and white rim.10 & 20
Snow Fairy—Grand snow-white blooms, profusely borne. Fine for cemeteries.....10 & 20
Black Knight—A large Pansy of inky blackness.....10 & 20
Thunder Cloud—Another grand Pansy of most unusual markings; large coal-black flowers, each with red and white rim. Extra fine.....10 & 20
Azure Blue—A clear, lovely shade, very fine for bedding.....10 & 20
Emperor William—Elegant deep blue, very useful for bouquet making.....10 & 20
Little Red Riding Hood—A good advance toward the bright red Pansy of the future. A rich reddish color, some of them very brilliant and showy. Only a portion of the seeds come true to character.....10 & 20
Deep Yellow—A fine color for bedding.....10 & 20
Odier, or Five Spotted, Mixed—Beautifully spotted flowers. A peculiar variety.....10 & 20
Large Spotted, Mixed—On white, yellow and reddish grounds. Very fine.....10 & 20
Lord Beaconsfield—True. Flowers of great substance and size, shading from deep indigo at the center to the palest azure blue at the edge of the upper petals. Unlike any other Pansy and extra fine for cutting 10 & 20
Marbled—Beautifully marbled, various shades ..10 & 20
Striped—Very showy and striking flowers, distinctly striped and shaded.....10 & 20
Bronze Perfecta—A unique color, hard to describe. Exquisite to combine with the deep blue and purple Pansies in cut-flower work.....10 & 20
Mixed Seed—Of more than fifty distinct shades of Imperial German, including those described above...10 & 20

One packet each of above fifteen Imperial Germans for $1.00.

Petunia.

This is a flower for everybody. Few high priced and rare plants can begin to compare with the Petunia for beauty, and not half a dozen other flowers on our list are as showy in beds or masses as it is. We once saw in front of a humble western cabin a great raised bed of Petunias, a perfect cloud of brilliant blossoms that could be seen far over the prairie, gleaming in purple and white, like some great star, and all this wealth of beauty was the product of a ten-cent paper of seed. The smallest yard and the finest park is not complete without these butterflies among flowers, that mind neither heat, drouth or rain, but bloom in profusion until the winter is almost upon us. The seed is best started in the house, and the young plants transplanted to open ground one foot apart; but if the soil is made very fine, seed can be sown in open ground and covered lightly. After they are once up they are no trouble to grow.

Per pkt.

Childs' New Hybrids—Striped, blotched and stained. Large funnel-shaped flowers of intense brilliancy and vivid markings; never out of bloom; fine for pots...5 & 10

Crandiflora, Mixed—Very large flowers and fine colors, including beautiful blotched, bordered, striped and veined types.....5 & 10

Crandiflora Alba—Pure white.....5 & 10

Nana Compacta—A dwarf bedding Petunia, almost smothered under its load of beautifully variegated flowers, and blooming all summer.....5 & 10

Fimbriata Titania, Mixed—Large flowers of various colors; beautifully veined and fringed.....5 & 10

NEW GIANT FLOWERED PETUNIAS.

A giant flowered strain which originated in California. The Double is particularly fine.

Giant Flowered Double, Fringed, Mixed Colors—This strain of giant flowered Petunias originated in California, and it is one of the most valuable new flowers that has ever come from that state. They are the largest and finest colored Petunias ever yet seen. Their size and beauty will be a revelation to all who see them. A larger per cent. comes double from seed than from any other strain we know.....10 & 20

Double White—A very fine pure white flower, and very double; 30 per cent. will come true from seed.....10 & 20

Giant Flowered Single, Mixed Colors—Enormous single flowers of a great variety of superb colors and fancy markings. Exceedingly beautiful, and without doubt the finest strain of single Petunias to be had.....10 & 20

The Rainbow—Richly colored flowers with golden yellow throats; exquisite and comes true every time..10 & 20

Ring of Emerald—Large pink and crimson blossoms deeply bordered with a green band. Attracts great attention.....10 & 20

Six Lobed White—Very large, pure white, usually with six lobes.....10 & 20

Fringed Perfection—A highly perfected strain, the petals of which are deeply ruffled, and the ruffles in turn exquisitely fringed. A superb strain of the richest colors.....10 & 20

One packet each of above seven for 60c.

Poppies.

Universal garden favorites from the days of our grandmothers. There is nothing more graceful than the silky blooms of single Poppies, nodding at the apex of their long, wiry stalks like so many tropical butterflies that a passing zephyr might waft from their airy perch. There is nothing more gorgeous than the double Poppies, bursting with fullness, glowing with color, and like great Peonies or Snowballs in size. There are few flowers easier to grow, if the precaution is taken to sow early and cover lightly, and none more useful to light up dark masses of shrubbery, mixed borders, or dull bits of landscape. Do not wait for warm weather to sow your seed, but sow very early in the spring, or even in the late autumn before, that the plants may have their growth made, ready to bloom at the coming of warm weather. We grow an acre or more of Poppies every year, and no finer seed than we offer can be procured anywhere. Per pkt.

Blushing Bride—The plants are of dwarf, stout growth, like Snowdrift, and belong to the Pæony-flowered type. The blossoms are of enormous size, perfectly double to the center, and beautifully fringed. Color, snow-white, with lovely bright crimson festooning about the edges of the frilled petals. It is difficult to imagine a more charming combination. When sown early this Poppy is one of the earliest double varieties to bloom, yet if the seed is sown later, say during June, the plants will bloom profusely through the fall months, even into November, at a time when all other Poppies have faded and gone.....10 & 20

Snowdrift—This grand variety was introduced by us, and there is no finer Poppy grown. Flowers as pure as the driven snow, large, double and full, yet soft and loose like a great ball of snow. A mass of it in bloom is a grand sight. Its habit of growth is stout and compact, not attaining the height of most other large Poppies, which makes its enormous blossoms show to better advantage..5 & 10

Nankeen Yellow—A fine novelty. Large double blossoms of a fine Nankeen yellow color.....5 & 10

Angel of Midnight—Black. A most unusual color and an odd and interesting one.....5 & 10

Giant Carnation-Flowered—Flowers of the very largest size, extremely double, and of very brilliant colors. Many colors, mixed .....5 & 10

Childs' Great Peony-Flowered—A strain selected after years of high cultivation and careful selection. Plants attain a height of three feet or more, and bear many flowers of most brilliant colors.....5 & 10

Peacock (PAPAVA UMBROSA).—Dazzlingly beautiful. Fiery scarlet flowers with vivid black centers, and borne on long wiry stems. One of the showiest of all.5 & 10

Rosebud—Some of our customers think these Poppies the prettiest of all. Dainty little flowers, like silken rosettes, cupped like Roses. Some of these are exquisitely mottled and shaded, while the others are solid colors, margined with other shades. The coloring of these Rosebud Poppies is something wonderful, and must be seen to be appreciated. Intense scarlet-crimson, pink-rose, white-blush, mottled, fringed, etc.....10 & 20

SHIRLEY.

Shirley—A lovely single Poppy with petals that seem stamped out of the most lustrous silk, and of the softest, most delicate colors or of the most brilliant hues, each flower widely margined with some other shade. No one can help admiring these beauties...5 & 10

Double Shirley—This is a double form of the magnificent Shirley Poppy. It does not differ from them in any respect, except the flowers are double..... ....5 & 10

Nudicaule or Iceland Poppies—Perennials, but bloom first year. Very handsome and graceful, and particularly desirable because they furnish us with a color hitherto lacking in these flowers. The yellow and orange shades are particularly fine.....5 & 10

Tulip-Flowered—A new Poppy of great brilliancy and beauty, having a flower which in shape and color resembles a great flaming Tulip.....5 & 10

SPECIAL OFFER—*For only 50c. we will send one packet each of these twelve Poppies.*

CHILDS'
NEW
JUBILEE PHLOXES

Phlox Drummondi.

One of the very best of all bedding annuals is the Phlox Drummondi, surpassing almost everything else in dazzling brilliancy. We may well be proud of this distinctively American flower, for it is extremely beautiful, neat in growth and an extraordinary bloomer. The newer sorts of Phlox are so far ahead of the older varieties that we have discarded all the latter, and offer none but those beautiful new ones of recent introduction. The Phlox make beautiful ribbon beds when different colors are sown side by side, and are also grand for masses of solid color. Per pkt.

Mixed—Fifty different colors. Fine for large beds and masses, Per oz., $1.00.....5 & 10
Coccinea—A rich, velvety scarlet.....5 & 10
Fancy Striped—Many distinct colors, all striped white.5 & 10
Grover Cleveland—A grand bedding sort, large, pure white flowers, with radiant crimson centers.....5 & 10
Rosea Alba Oculata—A clear, deep rose, with large, pure white eye. A charming color.....5 & 10
Violet Alba Oculata—A rich shade of violet, with large white center.....5 & 10
Yellow—Good for contrast, not as brilliant in color as the scarlet and crimson varieties .....5 & 10
Alba—Large pure white, without markings of any kind.5 & 10
Stellata—Of the most dazzling, deepest scarlet, with a contrasting eye of the snowiest white. This is a wonderfully brilliant bedder, giving a blaze of color that can be seen a long way.....10 & 20
Nana Compacta—Small growing, very compact varieties in many brilliant colors. They attain a height of only six inches and make a very brilliant carpet..5 & 10
Double White—The strain here offered is most excellent, and a large per cent. of the plants will produce fine double flowers in great clusters and as white as snow.....10 & 20
Double Yellow—Like the above, but of a good yellow color.....10 & 20
Childs' Star—Nothing else in the Phlox line has ever created such a sensation as the unique German strains of Fimbriata, Cuspidata, and Star of Quedlinburg, when introduced a few years ago. Their large size, and their curiously pointed fringed and toothed blooms—utterly unlike anything else—took the floral world by storm. We have hybridized all these together and secured a unique strain of a hundred colors and every conceivable shape.....5 & 10

CHILDS' JUBILEE PHLOXES.

This strain of Phlox is as superior to other Phlox of regular outline as our new Star Phlox are to the ordinary strains of Fimbriata Phlox. The flowers of Childs' Jubilee Phlox are of great substance, beautiful form and uncommon size, while the colors are extraordinarily rich and varied, glowing crimson, dazzling scarlet, deep rose, soft pink, pale blush, maroon black, lavender purple and numberless other rare shades, many with contrasting eyes, stripes, or featherings. In habit these new Phlox are erect, rather than procumbent, and bear their velvety blossoms in great profusion, making them unrivalled for bedding. They are of dwarf, stout, branching habit, always standing erect, and the individual flowers the size of a twenty-dollar gold piece. The grandest of all Phloxes.....10 & 20

SPECIAL OFFER—*For only 50c. we will send one packet each of these fourteen finest Phloxes.*

Portulaca.

The Portulaca will stand more abuse than almost any other flower. They do not like deep shade, or wet, damp soil, but in any other situation they only ask the sowing; they will take care of themselves afterwards. The dryer the weather and the hotter the sun, the more they flourish, carpeting the ground with their mat of succulent foliage, that during the fore part of the day is almost hidden by clouds of gay blossoms, in every color of the rainbow. Fine for bordering walks, rock work and bedding. Beautiful in ribbon beds, and as they can be transplanted even in full bloom it is easy enough to remove any single or off-colored ones, and replace them with others as they bloom. Six inches high. Per pkt.

Grandiflora, Mixed Colors—White, crimson, rose, scarlet, yellow, striped, etc. Very brilliant .....5 & 10
Double Rose-Flowered, Mixed Colors Large blossoms, as double as Roses, and of the greatest variety of colors and variegations. Our seed is extra choice and will produce large double flowers.....10 & 20
Double Yellow—Fine brilliant color..... 5 & 10
Double Scarlet—Clear and bright..... .5 & 10
Double White—Pure and beautiful..... 5 & 10

Phacelia Campanulata.

An easily-grown annual that will commence to bloom a month from the time seed is sown in the open ground. Erect, cup-shaped flowers of a lovely blue. Flowers profusely and a long time. Its shade of color is one of the rarest and loveliest seen among blues. It is a superb pot plant.
Campanularia.....5 & 10

Platycodon, Grandiflora.

A companionable flower that is attractive in the border, pretty in balcony boxes, and very fine for vases and cut-flower work. Blooms first year from seed, though it is a hardy perennial, the plants living in the ground over winter and blooming profusely year after year in the same spot. On this account it is very valuable. The pretty star-like flowers are three inches across, and the colors are very clear. It is a most beautiful and satisfactory plant which blooms freely all the season, one plant often having a hundred or more of its large, fine blossoms at one time. A gem for any garden.
Pure White—Fine pure color.....5 & 10
Large Blue—A real fine porcelain blue.....5 & 10
Mixed—Several colors.....5 & 10

Ricinus Zanzibarensis.

There are several varieties of this superb new Ricinus, all of which are characterized by extra large and handsome leaves, compact branching growth, forming a perfect pyramid of elegant foliage. The seed are very large and each kind of a different color, white, black, scarlet, brown, etc. All beautifully marked and mottled. They are so beautiful that they are worth the price asked just to look at. All kinds mixed.....5 & 10

Ten-Weeks Stocks.

To our mind we do not catalogue a finer flower than the Ten-Weeks Stock. It has every merit of a perfect flower—a compact habit, many and long spikes of closely-set large double flowers, each as double as a rose, waxy of texture, exceedingly sweet, and varying in color from snow-white to dark maroon-brown, and through all intermediate shades of red, blue and yellow. It is a grand bedder, and a fine pot plant, blooming the winter through. It develops in its greatest perfection in the cold atmosphere of our Northern States. In the South and West a cool situation should be chosen, sheltered from the midday sun. This plant requires rich, mellow soil, and must never be allowed to suffer for water. Poor care will result in poor flowers. It is worse than useless to plant inferior seed of this flower, that has been brought to its present high standard by careful breeding and high cultivation. Our seed is of the very best, and will please all who try it. Per pkt.

Early Ten Weeks—12 of the finest colors mixed.....10 & 20
" " " —Pure white, very sweet.....5 & 10
" " " —Rich crimson.....5 & 10
" " " —Clear blue.....5 & 10
" " " —Yellow, new and fine .....5 & 10
Dwarf German—Mixed colors. An extra fine strain of large flowered Stocks .....10 & 20
New Large-Flowering Globe Pyramidal—One of the finest of all. Immense spikes of grand flowers, in almost rainbow colors. We have counted twenty-three different shades in a single bed of these flowers, in bloom at one time.....10 & 20
Giant Perfection—One of the finest for the open ground, growing to the height of 2½ feet; flowers also of immense size. Many beautiful colors mixed.....10 & 20
Snowflake—A superb variety. Flowers as perfect as though cut out of wax. Much grown as a pot flower for cool rooms.....5 & 10
Victoria Blood Red—A fine companion to the Snowflake, and grand for cutting. Deep and rich in color and very fragrant.....5 & 10
Celestial Blue—A beautiful color, and contrasts admirably with the two sorts above.....5 & 10
Tree—Mixed colors; a gigantic branching sort.....5 & 10

One packet each of the twelve sorts for 60c.

Scabiosa.

This is one of the very best bouquet flowers of our entire list, and is also fine for masses or clumps in the flower garden. Each plant bears a profusion of beautiful flowers, rich, velvety, glowing, and unlike any other flower, while the long, wiry stems fit them for use in bouquets and vases. Sow seed early in open ground, and they are almost sure to succeed. They are very hardy, and plants frequently endure the winter, and do even better the second season than the first. While all colors of Scabiosa are fine, the rich coal black and velvety royal purples find most admirers.

Mixed Colors (Mourning Bride).....5 & 10
Double, Mixed Colors—Dwarf habit; fine colors.....5 & 10
Snow Ball—The plant is a strong grower, and the flowers are very large, perfectly double, and as white as snow. They are produced very freely.....5 & 10
Golden Dwarf—A dwarf sort with yellow foliage and double coal-black blossoms. A unique plant.....5 & 10
Royal Velvet—Each head of this variety when in full bloom may well be named a ready-made nosegay, composed as it is of 20 or 30 distinct florets of a velvety purple color on which the white stamens contrast finely.....5 & 10
Double Yellow—A fine novelty.....5 & 10

Solanum.

Easily grown plants with ornamental fruit. Especially fine for pots, and last a long time in beauty. The fruit takes on different shapes and colors, and are also different in growth and habit of bearing.

Mixed Sorts—Various sizes, shapes and colors; all highly ornamental.....5 & 10

Racemigerum—A highly ornamental sort, bearing a profusion of Currant-like fruit.....5 & 10

Schizanthus.

The "Butterfly Flower." An easily grown plant, bearing quantities of gay, butterfly-like blooms, beautifully marked and spotted. The plants are such profuse bloomers that each branch looks like an immense panicle of lovely bloom.

Mixed Colors—Improved large flowering. Lovely....5 & 10

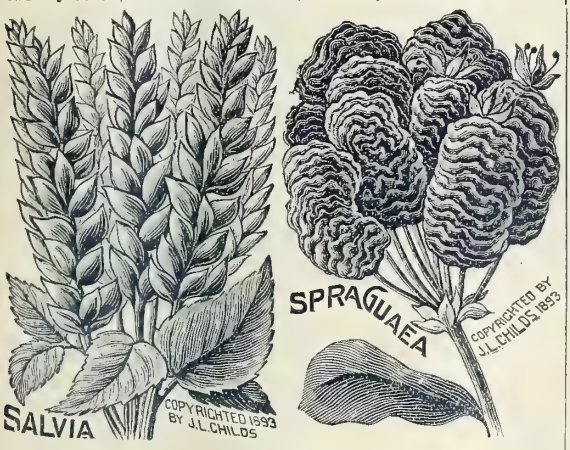
Salpiglossis.

An exceedingly beautiful flower, and an extra fine and brilliant bedder. Large, lovely, funnel-shaped blossoms of velvety texture, and with deeply sunken veins, penciled and shaded with the richest tracings on a groundwork of the most pleasing colors. It stands the sun well, and some of the showiest beds we have ever seen have been of this beautiful and easily grown annual. Per pkt.

Grandiflora, Mixed Colors—A grand new strain with enormous blossoms, possessing the most varied, brilliant and fantastic markings imaginable. The staining, penciling and blending of the colors is wonderfully fine.....5 & 10

Spraguaea Umbellata.

A singular plant in both leaf and flower. The wooly pink and crimson flowers are borne in umbels above the foliage. The flowers remain perfect a long time and are often dried and used for winter bouquets. The leaves are of a dark bronzy color, odd and attractive, and very curious..... 5 & 10



Salvia.

The Salvia is now a standard bedding plant, and well does it deserve its honor. It stands heat and drought remarkably well, and its colors are very showy and intense. Seed is best started under glass, though self-sown seed frequently comes up in great numbers where a bed of these plants has been the year previous. Cuttings are easily rooted in August and September, and make fine winter-blooming plants for sunny windows.

Splendens—Large, scarlet; exceedingly showy and useful for cutting and for ornamental beds.....5 & 10

Patens—A most lovely shade of blue.....10 & 20

Carduacua—Light blue.....5 & 10

Splendens Compacta—Fine dwarf form of the old variety; very brilliant, free flowering; fine for pots..10 & 20

Wallflower, Annual, Mixed.

The old English Wallflower is everywhere a favorite, and it is a regret to most cultivators of flowers that it cannot be grown in this country as well as it can in England. This is owing to the fact that it is not hardy enough to stand our winters in the open ground without being killed or severely injured, and as the old varieties do not bloom until the second year from seed they can be successfully wintered only in frames. This serious difficulty is obviated in this new strain which flowers early the first season from seed. Seed sown in the open ground the first of May will commence blooming by the last of July, and if started earlier in the house or in hot-beds they can be had in profusion from early in June until late autumn as they continue blooming through autumn frosts without injury. The blossoms are of large size and borne in compact, short spikes or clusters, and are exceedingly sweet-scented. The plants are not injured by fall frosts and bloom profusely till snow flies. The colors range from yellow to dark brown, striped, variegated, etc. This splendid novelty will be welcomed by thousands of admirers of the lovely Wallflower.....10 & 20

Vinca.

Lovely garden or pot plants, producing a profusion of bright blossoms at all times. Seed started early in pots makes lovely blooming plants by early summer, which will continue in growth and bloom for a year. As bedding plants for the garden they rival the Geranium. Their soft and delicate colors and profuse blooming habit make them at all times attractive. Do not omit them.

Mixed Colors—White, pink, crimson, etc. A new and improved large flowering strain.....5 & 10

Verbenas.

Like the Pansy, the Aster and the Petunia, the Verbena is a favorite with everybody, and one of the most universally popular of all flowers, both for the garden and for pot culture. For constant and profuse flowering, and for brilliancy and beauty of colors it has few equals. Start seed early under glass, if possible, that good strong plants may be had for transplanting to the garden. They will commence blooming in June and continue until after severe frosts, and during this entire time nothing in the garden will attract more attention than the bed or clump of Verbenas. In August cuttings may be taken from some of the best ones and potted up for winter blooming. Our prize strain are the finest Verbenas in cultivation. Per pkt.

Extra Choice Mixed—From a named collection.....5 & 10

Golden Bedder—A striking variety with bright scarlet blossoms and golden yellow foliage.....10 & 20

Dark Cloud—A French variety, of a rich black-blue color lighted by a white center. Fine.....5 & 10

Striata—Everyone admires the striped Verbena, its colors are so clear and vividly contrasted .....5 & 10

Primrose—A great advance toward the coveted yellow Verbena. A soft, pale yellow, or primrose.....5 & 10

Odorata—This lovely Verbena possesses three great points of merit over other varieties, and they are such important ones that it will become a necessity to every garden. First, it is so hardy seed can be sown in the open ground early in the spring, where they will quickly germinate, grow rapidly, and in a few weeks be in bloom and give a great profusion of beautiful blossoms all summer. No garden flower is easier grown, for it is as sure to thrive as a Poppy or pig-weed. Second, the blossoms instead of being in *clusters* like other sorts, run up into *spikes*, usually 3 or 4 inches long, as shown in the cut. Third, it is very sweet scented. We have probably said enough to make everyone want it, but we have yet to say that the flower is *pure white*, that the plant is short jointed and dwarf, not covering nearly as much ground as other sorts, and it is a perfect mass of bloom all summer. It always comes perfectly true from seed....5 & 10

CHILDS' PRIZE VERBENAS.

Famous as the finest strain of Verbenas known. We grow four acres of these superb flowers, and we know what we are talking about when we say they are the finest of all Verbenas. The plants are vigorous and short jointed, and perfect sheets of bloom. The trusses are very large, the flowers of mammoth size, perfect form, and embrace the richest and most velvety colors. They are also delicately sweet scented. The range of color is great and shades are mostly very delicate and dainty. In coloring they are, in fact, perfectly exquisite, there being very little of the common old blue and purple colors among them. In their place we have delicate blushes, lavenders, pinks, velvety indigoes, intense scarlets, whites, mottled, striped, variegated, etc., in fact, a thousand different colors and combinations.

Childs' Prize, Mixed Colors—Hundreds of delicate shades. Enormous sized flowers, dwarf, compact habit, and prodigious bloomers.....10 & 20

Childs' Prize, Pure White—Comes true from seed. Great trusses of snowy blossoms of exquisite fragrance...10 & 20

Childs' Prize, Scarlet—A very intense scarlet..... 10 & 20

SPECIAL OFFER—*One packet each of the nine sorts, 60c.*

Per pkt.

Improved Striped—A good strain, representing all the leading colors, but all striped. This is really the finest strain of Striped or Zebra Zinnias in cultivation...5 & 10

Fire Ball—Dwarf habit, large double blossoms of intense scarlet, as round and perfect as a ball. It makes a fine border or mass, its bright color and perfect habit showing to great advantage..... 5 & 10

Snow Ball—Exactly like Fire Ball except color, which is snow white, and makes a charming contrast.... 5 & 10

Double Yellow—Blossoms large and bright golden yellow.....5 & 10

Lilliput, Mixed Colors—This strain is the acme of beauty and perfection in Zinnias. Plants small and of bushy growth, each one bearing scores of beautiful little blossoms of the most perfect shape and brilliant colors. These charming little Zinnias are gems indeed, and should be in every garden.....10 & 20

Zinnia.

From earliest childhood the Zinnia has been a special favorite with us, and the strain which we cultivated in our first little garden we still grow and sell as our improved. We have selected the stock seed every year for twenty-five years. This careful attention has brought it to wonderful perfection. This Zinnia is a robust free grower, furnishing an abundance of large double blossoms, which are of varied and brilliant colors, during the entire summer and fall. Each flower keeps perfect for six weeks before fading, and each plant is a great mass of bloom all the time, making a show which is peculiar. Nothing else can fill their place. Seed should be started inside or sown in the garden about corn-planting time.

Childs' Improved, Mixed Colors—Saved only from select flowers, perfect in shape and color. The finest strain of Zinnia in cultivation. Every plant will produce immense double blossoms of various colors, from white to deep crimson, maroon, pink, yellow, orange, scarlet, violet, primrose, buff, striped, etc. Every plant will give fine double flowers. Single and poor flowers long ago disappeared from this strain.....10 & 20

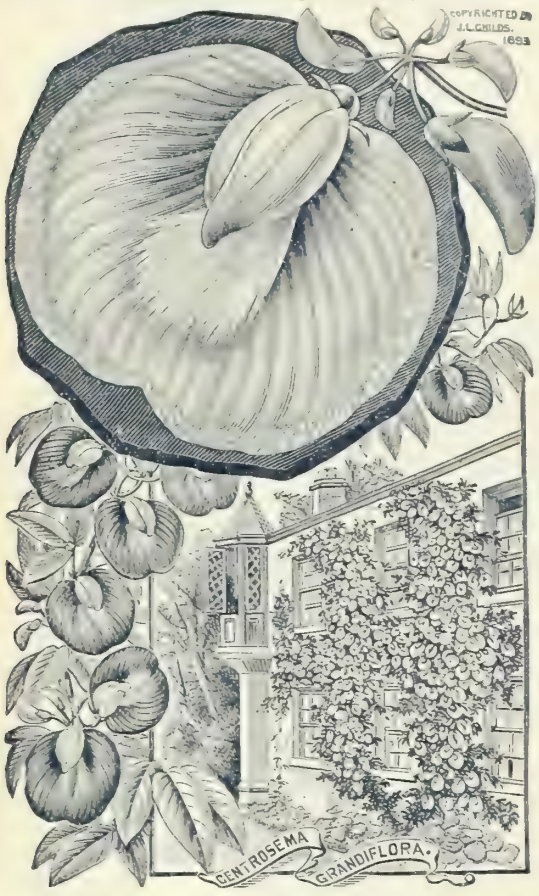
Crested and Crinkled—All colors mixed. A strain with curiously crested and crinkled petals.....5 & 10

SPECIAL OFFER.

To encourage the free use of our improved Zinnias, we will send one packet each of the seven varieties here offered for only 30c.

ORNAMENTAL CLIMBERS.

Every garden, every cottage, every fence, wall, stump, or old tree is beautified by the graceful and profuse flowering vines here offered. Vines are nature's draperies and are essential to any and every attempt to beautify one's home surroundings. Beautiful, beautiful vines, many an unsightly object do they cover, many a lovely screen, or fence, or trellis, do they make, masses of beautiful blossoms and grateful shade do they furnish. The following selection is all that can be desired among annual climbers. Our Sweet Peas, Morning Glories and Nasturtiums are particularly fine.



Centrosema Grandiflora.

This new vine has come to stay. It is easy to grow, quick to bloom, beautiful in flower and leaf, and is a hardy perennial, lasting for years. It will flower the first season from seed, and autumn frosts find it still in bloom. It is a low, graceful climber, growing only six to eight feet high, which makes it far more suitable for a low trellis or lattice work, or to train around a door or window in summer, than a taller, larger-leaved vine would be, and its masses of large, inverted pea-shaped blossoms, two inches or more across, and borne in clusters of four to eight flowers together, are very showy and pleasing. Fill a small vase with its dainty, bright flowers and foliage alone, and see how lovely they are for cutting. In color they range from rosy violet and reddish purple, with exquisite feathering or bordering of pure white, to pure snow white. The rosy violet shades are most common, but as the buds and the back of the flowers of the dark varieties are pure white, each vine has the appearance of bearing different colored flowers at once. The winning way in which the flowers look up at one has won them the fanciful name of Look-at-me Vine.....5 & 10

Cypress Vine.

One of the prettiest vines imaginable; slender vines, thickly clothed with dark green, feathery foliage of great beauty, and dotted with intensely bright, velvety little flowers that shine like little stars against their glossy background of green. Fine for training to small trellises or to run up poles or strings.

Mixed Colors—White, pink, scarlet.....5 & 10

COBÆA SCANDENS.

Cobæa.

One of the finest of all climbers, equally good for out of door or for house culture. Pretty foliage and large, beautiful bell-shaped flowers that open a clear green, but turn to a lovely purplish blue. Plant seed edgewise in moist but not wet soil; cover to prevent evaporation, and do not water again unless soil becomes very dry. When seedlings appear water with great moderation until out of the seed-leaf.

Scandens—Fine bluish purple.....5 & 10
Alba—Fine pure white.....5 & 10

RHODOCHITON.

Rhodochiton Volubile.

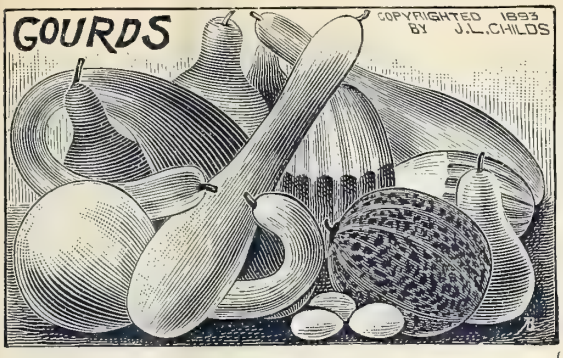
One of the most unique and beautiful climbing plants in cultivation, and particularly valuable for window or conservatory culture in pots. It is of slender, graceful growth, with pretty, heart-shaped leaves and an abundance of drooping blossoms of a deep chocolate color. These blossoms are borne in endless profusion, both summer and winter, and are very attractive.....10 & 25

CANARY BIRD FLOWER.

Canary Bird Flower.

A dainty vine with beautiful cut-leaves and pretty, delicate flowers of a clear canary yellow. From the color of its blossoms, and also from a fancied resemblance of their shape to a bird with wings expanded, the plant obtains its common name. A pretty vine for the window or for a sheltered location out of doors.

Tropæolum Canariensis, or Canary Bird Flower.....5 & 10



Gourds.

Well-known climbers, with the most fantastic and grotesque fruits imaginable. Fine for covering sheds, training over fences or brush piles, and always sure to attract the attention of the children, who love to play with the pretty striped and oddly crooked fruits. Many of these fruits keep perfect for years, being hard-shelled. Per pkt.

Mixed Sorts—All sizes, shapes and colors.....5 & 10

Fragrant—Oval round fruits 2 to 3 inches long, and nearly as thick through. Pretty striped or mottled shells, the inside filled with muskmelon-like flesh and seeds. Children carry the cunning little fruits around as playthings, and housekeepers place them on mantels and brackets as ornaments. One fruit will perfume a room with the most delicious odor, and will last for weeks without rotting.....5 & 10

Ipomœa.

Closely allied to the Morning Glories, but larger, and the colors, if possible, more beautiful. Rapid growers, mostly with handsome foliage, and exceedingly lovely flowers. They are in some cases almost as fine as the new Imperial Japanese Morning Glories, which we consider to be the finest flower seed novelty of the times. While as a rule their growth is not so free or rapid as the Morning Glory, the flowers of the Ipomœa are much larger and finer.

Mixed Colors—Very fine, all colors.....5 & 10

Weather Plant.

The wonderful Weather Plant (Abrus) of the West India Islands is now successfully cultivated in gardens. It has very beautiful foliage and blossoms, and it is claimed that the state of the weather may be told for some time in advance, by the positions the leaves assume, as indicated by cut. Seeds bright scarlet, very beautiful and very hard. Soak them well in warm water before sowing.....5 & 10

Sweet Peas.

For our complete list of Sweet Peas, nearly 100 varieties, see Specialties and Novelties, on the green paper pages of this Catalogue. Our collection is the finest in the country.

Maurandya.

This vine is not grown half as much as it deserves to be. It has an exceedingly graceful habit, very handsome, dense foliage, pretty, fox-glove like blossoms borne in great profusion, and keeps green until after severe frosts. A beautiful vine for hanging baskets, with its dainty white, maroon, and rose-colored blossoms.

Mixed Colors—White, pink, purple, etc. Per pkt.5 & 10

Morning Glories.

The old-fashioned Morning Glory, as easy to grow as any weed. Brilliant, beautiful flowers of every shade of white, blue, pink, scarlet and variegated. The standard vine of every flower grower.

Pure White.....5 & 10
Dark Red.....5 & 10
Dark Blue.....5 & 10
Striped—Red and white.....5 & 10
Black—A novel color.....5 & 10
Mixed Colors—Per oz., 15.....5 & 10

One packet each of above six sorts, 20c.

Momordica.

A slender vine of moderate growth, with pretty pale yellow flowers, and showy, curious fruits of a dull orange and green color, that, when ripe, burst open, displaying a bright carmine center. It is very ornamental, even more so than a Gourd.

Charantina, or Balsam Pear—Very fine indeed, and a novel variety, hardly ever seen in any garden.....5 & 10
Mixed Sorts—Several varieties.....5 & 10

Thunbergia.

Beautiful trailing plants for beds, low screens or hanging baskets. Slow to start from seed, but grow well and can be rooted easily from cuttings. Blossoms yellow, orange, buff, and white, with various colored eyes. Sometimes called "Black-eyed Susan." All colors, mixed.....5 & 10

Seeds for Window or Greenhouse Culture.

The satisfaction derived from the cultivation of house plants is not alone in seeing them bloom. There is joy in seeing them grow and develop day by day, and the one who starts a plant from seed and rears it up to bloom gets all the pleasure there is in the plant culture. Geraniums, Carnations, Chrysanthemums, Gloxinias, Begonias, Heliotropes, etc., are easily grown from seed, and it is really fascinating to raise them in this way, watching each plant as it unfolds its bloom, noting its form, color and other characteristics, and when occasionally we discover an immensely fine one much superior to any we have ever before seen or heard of—the highest pleasure and satisfaction possible to get from plants and flowers is ours. It is from seed that all fine new varieties of house plants are produced, and it is not uncommon for a seedling Chrysanthemum or Carnation to be worth more than a thousand dollars. Our strains of all these seeds are much finer than are usually sold. They are the choicest which can be grown.

Abutilon.

As indispensable for the window or greenhouse as the Petunia is for the flower garden. Will stand more abuse and neglect than almost any other house plant. Grows rapidly from seed, and is soon in bloom. Leaves are very ornamental, and are often beautifully variegated. Lovely bell-shaped flowers, borne the year around, in all colors—white, pink, yellow, orange, red, etc. Per pkt.

Choicest Hybrids, Mixed—All colors.....10 & 20

ABUTILON.

Acacia.

Shrubby plants with fine, fern-like foliage, and pretty, fragrant, tassel-like flowers. Profuse bloomer, and exceeding graceful. Hardy in the Southern States. Fine for pots.

Choicest Sorts, Mixed .....5 & 10

Begonia.

One of the most beautiful of all window plants, handsome in foliage, and bearing great quantities of lovely flowers of wax-like texture, and exquisitely soft, delicate shades. Seeds are very fine and need care in sowing, but the flowers repay all care given. Seedlings bloom in from five to eight months' time.

Tuberous-Rooted Hybrids—Largely grown for bedding purposes, or for summer conservatory decoration. Blossoms very large and showy.....10 & 20

Tuberous-Rooted Hybrids, Double—Very fine.....10 & 20

Rex—Fine ornamental leaves.....10 & 20

Schmidti—Pure white; very free bloomer.....10 & 20

Vernon—Many colors mixed; grand perpetual bloomer.10 & 20

" **New Dwarf Crimson**—Fine novelty.....10 & 20

" **Yellow Leaved**—Fine pink blossoms.....10 & 20

Calceolaria.

Not one in ten of our customers have ever seen a Calceolaria in bloom, yet it is one of the handsomest and most striking pot plants we know of. Seeds fine, and must be sown with care, but after they are fairly up they grow finely, and will bloom the next winter. Each plant bears hundreds of pocket-like flowers, spotted and marked in the most curious manner.

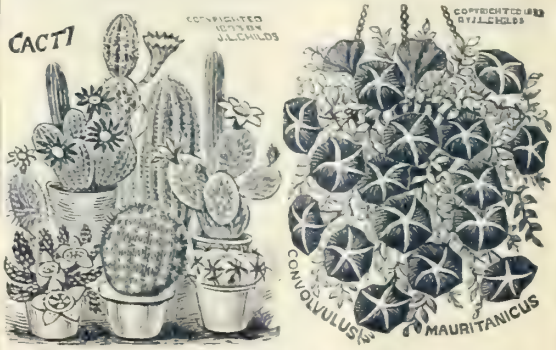
Dwarf Hybrids—Large flowering, mixed colors.....10 & 20

Crandiflora—Spotted and tigred as well as fine self colors; very large and exceedingly fine.....10 & 20

Cacti.

At once one of the most curious and popular class of plants grown. Many fine varieties can be grown from seed, with a little care and patience. Sow seed in shallow pans or saucers filled with clear, coarse sand, with good drainage. Cover with glass, keep moderately moist, but not wet. Pot seedlings into very small pots.

Mixed Sorts—Thirty to fifty kinds.....5 & 10



Convolvulus Mauritanicus.

Acknowledged to be one of the finest basket plants in existence. Beautiful trailing plant, completely covered with large, wide open, morning-glory-like flowers of a lovely shade of blue. Very healthy and vigorous, and grows readily from either seed or seedlings. Blooms all the year.....5 & 10

Cineraria.

A wondrously beautiful greenhouse plant, and not at all hard to grow. Seeds germinate quickly and easily, and young plants grow off without any trouble. Keep in a shady place over summer, and remove to house in fall. Use insecticides to keep free from aphis, and as flower buds show give good light. A beautiful plant, the large, luxuriant leaves surmounted in late winter and spring by immense quantities of large aster-like flowers of the most brilliant colors. Nothing could be more effective in the window. Per pkt.

Grandiflora, Mixed—Large flowering prize varieties..10 & 20
" **Dwarf Mixed**—Eight inches; exquisite..10 & 20
" **Dwarf White**—Grand new pure white..10 & 20
" " **Azurea**—Lovely sky-blue.....10 & 20
Double Flowered—Extra choice mixed.....10 & 20

COLEUS.

Coleus.

The most popular foliage plant grown. Seeds germinate well, and will produce plants with finely variegated foliage. Our seed is saved from the best named varieties and will please all who try it.

Extra Choice Mixed—Fine colored leaves.....10 & 20
New Large Leaved—Enormous foliage; exquisite.....10 & 20

Carnation.

A favorite with everyone. Fragrant double flowers of elegant form and exquisite markings. Seeds and plants grow as freely as the old Garden Pink. Spring sown seeds make fine winter blooming plants. Keep cool in winter and close to the glass.

Picotee, or Fancy—Fine variegated colors.....10 & 20
Monthly, or Perpetual—Mixed greenhouse sorts.....10 & 20
Hardy Hybrids—Hardy free bloomers. Extra fine for the garden or for pots. Many fine colors mixed...10 & 20
Margaret—Fine early bloomers. See page 53..... .....5 & 10
Chebaud Early French—A fine strain combining the earliness of Margaret with the large and perfect blossoms of the Perpetuals.....5 & 10
Yellow Mixed—Fine perpetuals; various yellow shades.10 & 20

Chrysanthemums.

Chrysanthemum seed sown in the spring will produce large, vigorous plants by fall, which will give a great profusion of fine flowers, even more than old plants. The seed we here offer is from a prize collection of over two hundred varieties, including all the latest novelties in all classes—Japanese, Chinese, Incurved, Anemone-flowered, Pompons, etc.—and will produce a magnificent array of varieties. No matter how many plants you raise, no two will be alike, and some are likely to be very valuable. All colors, shapes, sizes and varieties will be produced. The great beauty of a collection of seedling Chrysanthemums cannot be appreciated until it is seen. They are grand, and are very easily raised. Seeds germinate freely and quickly, and the plants being of a hardy and robust nature, make a rapid growth.

Extra Choice—All colors and varieties, mixed.....10 & 20
Ostrich Plume—Fine mixed; all colors of hairy varieties.....10 & 20

Miscellaneous.

The following is a list of well-known choice House Plants of which space does not allow us to give illustrations.

Azalea Indica—Lovely flowering shrub.....10 & 20
Aloes and Agaves—Fine mixed. Well-known and highly prized succulent plants.....10 & 20
Camellia Japonica—Double mixed. Very fine.....10 & 20
Dracaena—Mixed sorts. Highly ornamental foliage plants.....10 & 20
Ficus Elastica—India Rubber tree.....10 & 20
Oleander—Fine mixed sorts.....10 & 20

Cyclamen.

There are few handsomer plants than the Cyclamen. The heart-shaped foliage is beautifully shaded and marked, and the charming flowers borne on long footstalks above the crown of foliage, show exquisite shades of white, crimson, blush and pink, most flowers showing two colors. A good specimen will have from twenty-five to fifty flowers in full bloom at one time, and the plants remain in bloom for months together. Per pkt.

Persicum—Extra fine strain, all colors mixed.....5 & 10
Giganteum—Grand large flowering, mixed.....10 & 20

Ferns.

Ferns are exquisite for table or drawing-room decoration, wardian cases, hanging baskets or rockeries. Spores are very fine, and should be surface sown on sifted soil, and covered with glass. If sown in ordinary pot saucers, necessary moisture can be supplied by placing a saucer of soil inside of a larger saucer that has been filled with tepid water. The water will filter through, and will not wash the soil over the spores as surface watering is apt to do.

Mixed Sorts—All the finest varieties.....10 & 20

Fuchsia.

Lovely pot plants, which bloom profusely at all times. Grows readily from seed, and many fine new sorts will appear.

Mixed, Double—Finest seed from best named sorts..10 & 20
Mixed, Single—From new varieties.....10 & 20
Coccinea—Lovely scarlet; blooms in great profusion..5 & 10
Procumbens—Lovely drooping vine; fine for baskets.10 & 20

Lemon Verbena.

Everyone knows the Lemon Verbena, and everyone ought to have a few specimens of it; its fragrant foliage is so fine to use in bouquets and other floral work ..... 10 & 20

Eucalyptus Citroides.

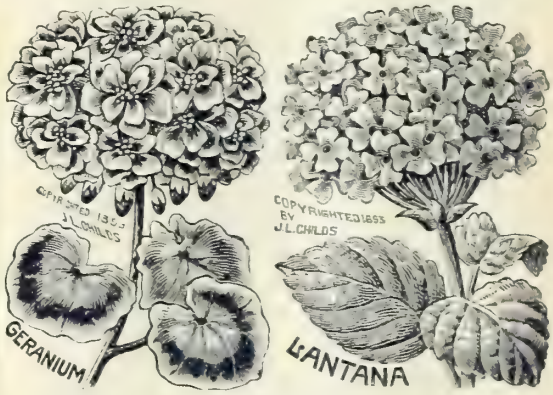
A beautiful tropical shrub that can be grown as a pot plant. Its leaves are from the first deliciously fragrant, with a penetrating lemon-like odor, surpassing the Lemon Verbena. Very fine indeed; valuable for bouquets...5 & 10

GLOXINIA.

Gloxinia.

The most beautiful of all pot bulbs. Large, erect, open-throated flowers of thick satiny texture and most profusely borne. Seeds are very fine and must be sown with care. Seedlings grow well, and if given good care, will bloom in five months from the time of sowing seed, giving larger and better flowers than can be had from old bulbs. Try them by all means. There is no flower more charming. Per pkt.

French Hybrids—Splendid mixed; the finest varieties of various colors.....10 & 20
Tigred and Spotted—Mixed colors; all beautifully spotted..... 10 & 20
Crassifolia Erecta—Mixed colors; all erect bloomers..10 & 20
Pure White—The most heavenly of all flowers for true loveliness and purity.....10 & 20



Geranium.

Very easily grown from seeds, and if started early will bloom the next summer and fall. Seedling plants are always healthy.

Zonale, Extra Choice—Mixed, from finest new varieties.....10 & 20
Apple Scented—Very delightfully scented leaves....10 & 20
Double Mixed—Saved especially for us from the finest new sorts and will produce some of the best double varieties in existence.....10 & 20
Bronze and Silver Tri-Color—Fine foliage sorts.....10 & 20
Pelargonium or Lady Washington—Fine mixed....10 & 20
Ivy—Fine double flowered; ivy leaved; grand.....10 & 20

Lantana.

A little slow to germinate, but seedlings grow rapidly and soon make thrifty plants. An extra fine bedding plant, with very brilliant verbena-like flowers. We offer a very fine strain. Flowers in all shades of vermilion, orange, lemon, white and pink.

Mixed Colors—A fine collection.....10 & 20

Musa Ensette.

Fine single specimens of this are grand beyond description, and give a massive, tropical effect that nothing else can equal. It grows several feet high the first season, with huge, wide-spreading leaves that dwarf everything near it. Give sun, rich soil and abundance of water..10 & 20 Per pkt.

Palms.

Grand decorative plants for the house or piazza, and increases in value each year. Easily grown from seeds, which are slow but quite sure to germinate.

Mixed Sorts—Many varieties .....10 & 20

Filifera, or Weeping—Very fine and easily grown.....5 & 10

Violet.

A fine collection of many fine varieties and colors—blue, lavender, white. Many of the finest scented varieties are included.

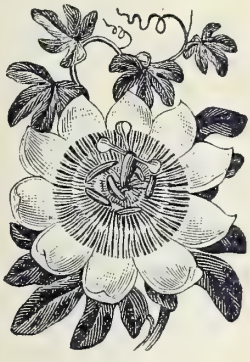
Mixed Sorts.....10 & 20

Passiflora.

The seeds of Passifloras are large and easily grown. Some varieties are grown for their elegant foliage, others for their beautiful and curious cornet-like blooms. A fine vine for an arch or window or for planting out in summer.

Mixed Sorts—.....5 & 10

SMILAX.



PASSIFLORA.

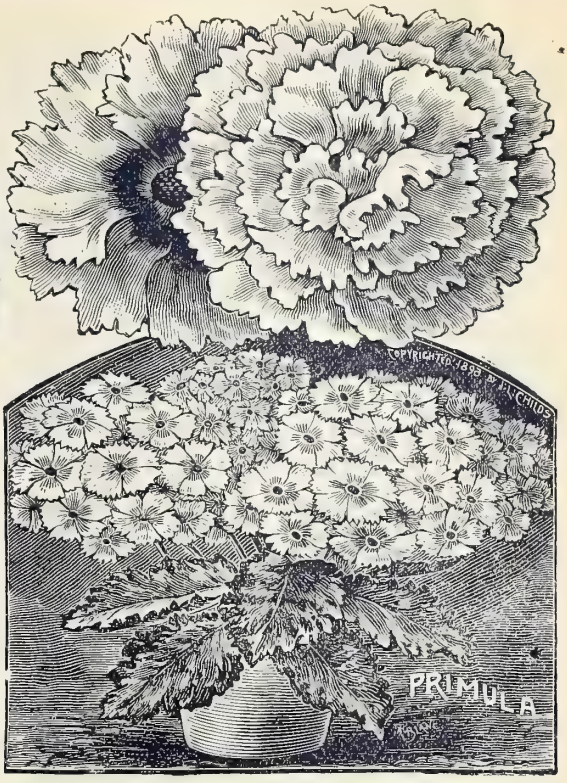
Smilax.

This elegant vine is easily grown from seed, which, though slow to germinate, is sure to grow. Not only a fine window vine, but exceedingly fine for outdoor planting wherever a small growing vine is wanted. In the open ground it grows luxuriantly, furnishing great quantities of its dainty, glossy-green sprays that are exquisite to use in cut-flower work, and remains fresh and green until after early frosts. In the house it requires good light and freedom from dust. Its feathery little blooms are delicately fragrant, but its chief merit is its exquisitely beautiful foliage...5 & 10

Swainsonia.

Lovely pot plants, blooming freely all the time. Foliage as well as flowers, is exceedingly handsome.

Mixed Colors—White and pink.....10 & 20



Primula Sinensis.

Ask any florist you will for a list of good house plants, and one of the very first plants he mentions will be the Primula. Everyone counts them as one of the "must haves" of winter bloomers, and with good reason. Easy to grow, pretty in leaf, handsome in flower and continuously in bloom for months at a time. These merits alone would earn it a place in every window, but when we add that it is one of the few plants never attacked by insects and that it will blossom in a sunless window, where a Geranium or Heliotrope would never show a bud, it is clear that the smallest collection would never be complete without it. Young vigorous plants are always the best, and are easily grown if the seed is sown on light, porous soil, underlaid with charcoal, and kept moist, but not wet, until the seeds germinate, which will be in about two weeks. Give the young plant plenty of air and plunge pots in the summer in cool shady places. In potting see that the soil at rim of pot is lower than in the center, as water standing on the crowns rots them. In the house they will stand plenty of light, but not hot sun. Our seed is saved from the choicest strains and can be relied upon to produce the largest flowers and finest colors. Per pkt.

Mixed—Very good; from a fine collection..... 5 & 10

Fimbriata Filicifolia—Mixed; (fern-leaved) beautiful cut-leaved foliage .....10 & 20

Fimbriata Globosa—Mixed colors. This is a new strain of Fimbriata, with unusually large flowers of great substance and colors; very clear and pleasing. Colors pure white with large lemon eye; deep red, carmine, white and pink, striped, flaked with other colors, etc. Extra fine for pot culture.....10 & 20

Fimbriata Cristata Hybrids—Fine new hybrid strain with crisped foliage and producing a great diversity of colors from white to deep crimson.....10 & 20

Fimbriata Coccinea—Bright crimson red.....10 & 20

Fimbriata Alba—Fine pure white; very large.....10 & 20

Fimbriata, fl. pl., Alba—Fine double white .....10 & 20

Fimbriata, fl. pl., Rosea—Beautiful double rose.....10 & 20

Fimbriata, fl. pl., Double, Mixed Colors—The double Primulas are among the choicest of all window plants, and the admiration of all who see them. All colors, mixed, an extra choice strain.....10 & 20

Obconica—Strong plants of this are everbloomers, flowering for ten or twelve months at a time, without a day's intermission. Flowers in umbels well above the foliage, white, tinted with pale lilac. Quite unlike other Primulas, being a distinct species.....10 & 20

Auricula, Mixed Hybrids—Elegant large flowering strain of rich colors.....10 & 20

Everlasting Flowers.

Flowers of eternal beauty—those which never fade—are offered on this page. They are unsurpassed for winter decoration and may be made up into bouquets, baskets, vases, etc. They last for years by being cut and dried when in bud and blossom. The following are all exceptionally beautiful and easily grown.

Ammobium, Alatum.

A very useful everlasting. Plant robust and great bloomer. Flowers pure white and very double. Dry as recommended for Acroclinium, and be sure to cut plenty of buds, as they dry beautifully, and are useful to contrast with the full-blown flowers.....Per pkt., 5 & 10

Acroclinium.

Probably the most beautiful everlasting known. Flowers pure pearly white, or an exquisite soft clear shade of pink, with bright golden center. Cut the first day they open, or the center becomes discolored. Hang the bunches, heads downward, in the shade to dry, and the flowers will appear as perfect as when gathered. One foot high.

Mixed Colors—Very fine.....5 & 10
New Double Mixed Colors—Larger and fuller than the above.....10 & 20

Gomphrena.

Remove cottony covering from seeds, and start in heat if possible. Good for garden, and make neat pot plants. Plants bear great quantities of clover-like blooms, altogether different in appearance from any other everlasting, and very attractive buds as well as full-blown flowers, extra fine for winter bouquets.

All Colors Mixed—White, crimson, orange, etc.....5 & 10

Rhodanthe.

A fine everlasting, good for the garden, and a pretty pot plant. The most delicate and graceful of this useful class. Try it by all means and cut blooms early for drying.

Manglesi—Bright clear pink.....5 & 10
Alba—Pure white.....5 & 10

Helichrysum.

One of the most beautiful of all everlastings. Plants grow two feet high, and are very hardy, blooming until late autumn. An easy plant to grow, and flowers are very bright. The white and light colored varieties color easily, and are often dyed in shades not otherwise obtainable in everlastings, and used in wreaths, crosses, and winter bouquets. Flowers should be picked before fully expanded, especially for dyeing. Per pkt.

Monstrosum—Mixed colors, very large.....5 & 10
Dwarf—Mixed colors, compact and free flowering.....5 & 10
Fire Ball—Deep fiery red, large and double; new.....5 & 10
Golden Ball—Golden yellow; new.....5 & 10
Snow Ball—Pure white.....5 & 10

Xeranthemum.

An easily grown everlasting, and furnishes the only shades of blue and purple to be found in this class.

Mixed Colors.....5 & 10
Superbissima—Double blue.....5 & 10

Ornamental Grasses.

The everlastings would be quite useless without their setting of soft, pretty grasses in winter bouquets. Grow a good quantity of these elegant grasses. There are many of them quite ornamental in the garden, and are all useful for cutting for summer bouquets, as well as for drying for winter or for dyeing.

All the Best Sorts Mixed—Per oz., 25c.....5 & 10

SPECIAL OFFER—*One packet each of all these Everlastings and Grasses for only 50c.*

HARDY PERENNIALS.

These are all hardy plants which live in the garden year after year, blooming every spring or summer, with little or no care. They are exceedingly beautiful, while many of them are among the brightest gems of the floral kingdom. As a rule, they bloom early in the spring, when the garden is almost destitute of flowers. What garden is complete without the Sweet William, Digitalis, Delphinium, Aquilegia, Hollyhock, etc.? Do not fail to sow seed of a good collection of these beautiful hardy plants this season; they will be a joy for the rest of your lifetime. Sow seed in the open ground any time from May 1st to the end of July.

Aquilegia.

One of the best of the early summer perennials. Curious flowers, extremely graceful and beautiful, and borne in great quantities high above the foliage, which itself is very beautiful and attractive. Extra fine for cutting. Per pkt.

Prize Mixture—This strain embraces more than one hundred varieties, double and single, and of all shapes and colors.....5 & 10

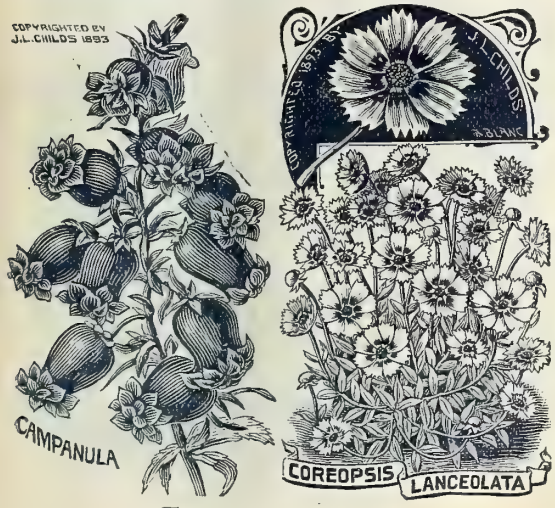
Chrysantha—Large golden yellow.....10 & 20

Adonis Vernalis.

A very fine, early spring perennial, growing one foot high and bearing profuse quantities of bright yellow flowers. Fine for permanent edging or borders.....5 & 10

Alyssum Saxatile.

A lovely hardy plant, which during May is a perfect mass of the brightest golden blossoms ever seen. In general appearance it is like the ordinary Sweet Alyssum.....5 & 10



Campanula.

Beautiful plants for house or border culture. Large bell-shaped flowers, very cheerful and attractive. Sow seed early in open ground, cover lightly and thin plants to stand twelve inches apart.

Double, Mixed Colors—A fine strain.....5 & 10

Coreopsis Lanceolata.

A graceful and profuse blooming plant with large, striking flowers of a brilliant golden yellow, and remains in bloom all summer. Its long, wiry stems fit it admirably for bouquet making, while its golden cloud of blooms far above the foliage makes it a capital bedder..... 5 & 10

Candytuft.—(*Iberis.*)

One of the very best early perennials, and extra fine for cemetery use, as the plants are a solid mass of white at just the time when flowers are most scarce, and as the plants are perfectly hardy they need no fussing with. Those who have never grown the Iberis have missed a floral treat.

Pruiti—Dwarf, extra early and fine.....10 & 20

Sempervirens—Large flowering, pure white.....5 & 10

Delphinium.

One of the choicest perennials known, and increases in beauty each year. Tall, stately growing, with immense spikes of the most brilliant flowers in all shades of lavender, mauve, pale, medium and deep, dark blues. Sow seeds in autumn or very early in spring, and plants will bloom the first summer. Very hardy. Give half shade.

Mixed Colors—All sorts.....5 & 10

Digitalis.

One of our special favorites. This, with the double Hollyhock and the Delphinium, form a stately trio of tall-growing plants than which nothing finer can be chosen for backgrounds, center of wide borders, interspersing with shrubbery, etc. If plants are not allowed to seed, they are crowned for months by long pyramidal spikes of lovely pendant thimble-shaped bells, snow white, rosy blush, or exquisitely shaded or spotted. The blooms are nearly or quite two inches in length, and lap each other with the utmost regularity. For the center of large bouquets they are almost equal to spikes of Gladiolus.

Gloxinoides Grandiflora—A strain with large, beautiful Gloxinia-like blossoms. Extra.....5 & 10

Iris.

Too well known to need description. These superb flowering plants are easily grown from seed.

Kæmpferi—Mixed double and single.....10 & 20

Germanica—Fine mixed.....10 & 20

Siberica—Mixed colors.....5 & 10

Hollyhock.

One of the finest of all perennials, and unsurpassed as a stately, imposing plant for backgrounds, screens, center of wide borders, etc. Plants grow from four to six feet high, and bear pyramidal spikes of large rosette-like flowers of every shade and color, from pure white to almost black. The yellow, magenta, rose and black are intensely pure and deep, while the pure white, pale lemon, soft pink and lavender shades are exquisitely soft and delicate. The pearly blooms of the pure white Hollyhocks are as fine for all floral work as the most double Rose or Camellia. If seeds are started very early, plants often bloom the next September.

Per pkt.

Double White—Pure and true.....10 & 20
" **Magenta**—Fine bright color.....5 & 10
" **Lemon**—Pure, bright lemon color.....5 & 10
" **Pink**—Very delicate and pretty.....5 & 10
Midnight—Double black.....10 & 20
Double, Mixed Colors—Very choice, embracing over twenty different shades.....10 & 20
Gem of Yellow—This is a new sort, very dwarf and very double, and of the finest brilliant yellow color. The flowers set so close on the stalks that it is one gigantic spike of bloom. It is the finest of all Hollyhocks.....10 & 20

One paper each of above seven sorts, 40c.

HONEYSUCKLE.

Everyone knows the Honeysuckle with its delicious fragrance, but everyone does not know that it is quite easily grown from seed, blooming the second season with ordinary care. Fine young plants often spring up under our vines from self-sown seed.....5 & 10

Hibiscus, Hardy Hybrids.

A fast-growing perennial that in one season attains the height and dimensions of a shrub. Exceedingly fine for clumps or an ornamental hedge or screen, as they last always, never winter-kill, and in midsummer, when shrubbery flowers are scarce, they bear for weeks enormous flowers as large as tea-saucers, white, blush, pale and deep pink, rose, etc.; the most of them with deeper-hued eye. Plants from spring-sown seed will bloom in September of the same year.

Mixed Colors.....5 & 10

Linum Perenne.

Not entirely new, yet little known and rarely seen, although it is one of those flowers of dainty beauty that is appreciated when seen, but can never be justly described. We will not attempt to convey to our readers an impression of its great beauty; this they can never know until they see it, but will say that it is a hardy perennial, sending up numerous stems which send out long, wiry branches, which are clothed with a growth of small, almost hair-like foliage. At the tips of the branches are poised large, salver-shaped blossoms, borne with such airy grace that they appear to be floating in the air. The effect is charming. No garden in the land should be without this exquisite flower.

Mixed Colors Blue, white and pink.....10 & 20

PERENNIAL PEA.

Perennial Pea.

No praise can be too high for this lovely iron-clad vine, that blooms constantly from early summer until late autumn, minding neither heat nor cold, rain or drouth. Plants small and feeble the first season, but ever after a picture of vigor and healthfulness, bearing a profusion of long-stalked clustered flowers, white, pink and deep rose in color, each flower an inch or more across. It is strange that they are so rarely seen, for they are easily grown, perfectly hardy, and so beautiful that we have never yet seen a person who did not admire their cheerful flowers and clear green foliage. Four to six feet in height. Per pkt.

Mixed, All Colors.....5 & 10
Pure White - Superb.....5 & 10

Picotee Pinks.

These are really hardy Carnations, with flowers more delicate than other pinks, and pleasantly fragrant. Though hardy they are stronger for a little protection over winter.

Mixed Colors-Large flowering.....5 & 10

Wallflower.

A favorite English flower somewhat like Ten-weeks Stocks. A half-hardy perennial; very fragrant and fine for cutting or for pots. Where winters are not very severe the Wallflower will live with protection and will bloom very early in spring.

Double Mixed Colors..5 & 10

Sweet William.

The favorite flower of our grandmothers. One of the best edging plants for the border, bearing in early summer large heads of the richest and most varied colors. Very fragrant and a favorite with everyone for vases and bouquets.

Improved Mixed Colors—Perfect in form, large in size, brilliant and varied in colors .....5 & 10
Double White Very fine.....5 & 10
Double Mixed Colors—Fine double blossoms.....10 & 20

Violet.

Seeds slow to germinate, but not at all hard to grow. Every garden should have a good bed of these fragrant favorites.

Garden Sorts Mixed.. 5 & 10

Yucca Filamentosa.

YUCCA FILAMENTOSA

The grandest evergreen plant we have for the lawn. The stately clumps of stiff, bayonet-like leaves, bristling out from the center in every direction, are extremely ornamental, but in midsummer they take on an added glory. Thick, woody flower-stalks are thrown up, growing as high as a man's head, and bear at their summit immense compound panicles of creamy, bell-shaped flowers, each floret two inches across. A single panicle will contain 300 or more florets, and will be two feet in length.....5 & 10

Miscellaneous Seeds.

The following list of seeds includes many that are of general interest, and we trust will afford a good deal of pleasure to scores of our customers. The list includes seed of some well-known bulbous plants, trees, shrubs, hardy perennials, etc. Pkt.

Ampelopsis Veichti—The ever lovely "Boston Ivy," or Japanese Woodbine. Finest of all hardy wall vines.5 & 10
Berberis, Mixed Varieties — Splendid ornamental shrubs.....5 & 10
Cooperia Drummondi—Fine and well-known bulb..5 & 10
Camassia Esculenta-Fine early flowering hardy bulb 5 & 10
Chionodoxa, Mixed—Gems of early spring, and commonly known as "Glory of the Snow".....5 & 10
Catalpa Hybrids—Elegant flowering tree, often blooming the second year from seed, and when only two or three feet high.....5 & 10
Clematis Paniculata—A most elegant flowering vine, blooms second year from seed.....10 & 20
Egyptian Lotus—Well-known aquatic; 3 sorts, mixed 10 & 20
Exochordia Grandiflora—Beautiful hardy shrub.....5 & 10
Gladiolus—It is very interesting to raise Gladiolus from seed. The range of color and beauty of bloom in seedlings is very great. One never sees two seedlings alike. Sow seed in light sandy soil in the open ground, about corn planting time, and shade until they germinate. Might be started earlier in hot-beds if desired. Seedlings generally bloom the second summer.
Hybrids Mixed All Colors—Very fine.....5 & 10
Lemoinei Hybrids Mixed—Sometimes bloom the first summer, and always the second.....5 & 10
Childsi, Mixed Colors—Finest of all. Very frequently blooms first summer, especially if started early.10 & 20
Grape Hyacinth — Charming early spring flowering bulb.....5 & 10
Hyacinth—Finest Dutch varieties, mixed; both double and single.....10 & 20
Hyacinth Candicans—Fine summer flowering bulb ..5 & 10
Lilium Tenuifolium—The charming coral lily of Siberia. An exquisite little gem. Blooms second year from seed.....10 & 20
Mulberry, Russian—A splendid fruit-bearing tree....5 & 10
Mulberry, Downing's Everbearing—Elegant fruit tree, bearing when very young.....10 & 20
Mulberry, Tea's Weeping—Highly ornamental weeping tree.....5 & 10
Pæony, Officinalis—Mixed; well-known garden plant.5 & 10
" Tree—Seed imported from Japan; the beautiful and famous Tree Pæony; all colors, mixed.....10 & 20
Paulownia Imperialis—Magnificent ornamental tree from Japan, producing great foliage and elegant flowers.....10 & 20
Rhododendron—Mixed. A well known shrub. The finest of all hardy flowering ornamentals.....10 & 20
Tritoma—Mixed varieties, very fine hardy plant.....5 & 10
Wisteria Sinensis — Lovely and well-known hardy flowering vine.....5 & 10
Zephyranthes—Six finest sorts, mixed. Exquisite flowering bulbs.....5 & 10

VEGETABLE SEEDS.

What we say about our Flower Seeds, on page 49, may be said about our Vegetable Seeds. We grow and offer but a limited number of varieties only those which possess the greatest value for the home garden and the markets. These varieties are also special stocks, cultivated, selected and improved until they have reached the highest mark of perfection which it is possible to attain.

Beets and Turnips, round, smooth, uniform, tender; Cabbage, large, solid, crisp, sure-heading and long-keeping; Tomatoes, large, smooth, uniform, perfect in color, shape and quality; Lettuce, crisp, beautiful and delicious; Corn, rich, sugary, tender and perfect; Melons, of high flavor, quick and robust growth, perfect and luscious; Onions, uniform in size, perfect in shape, delicate in taste; Squashes, early and late, of high quality; Radishes, crisp, mild, perfect in shape and color, and of quick growth. These are all points which we have brought to perfection in our prize strains of Garden Vegetables. Our thousands of customers in every nook and corner of the country know this, and to them we refer those who have never used our Seeds. They can be found everywhere, for we supply nearly half a million planters direct, which is more than the combined output of any other two houses in the world, and is in itself the best possible endorsement of the high quality of our Seeds.

Asparagus.

The earliest vegetable of spring, with a delicious flavor as of green peas. Every family should have a large bed full. Seed grows very readily. Sow in rows one foot apart, and keep free from weeds. Transplant the second year into permanent beds, setting plants two feet apart. Have the ground very rich and mellow, and give the soil an annual top dressing of rotted manure. Nothing more delicious than Asparagus tips stewed until tender, then seasoned with butter, pepper and salt.

New Mammoth—The tender shoots used for cutting are freely produced, and are of enormous size, very tender, rich and delicate. It starts very early in spring and lasts in cutting condition eight weeks. The largest and finest sort grown. Seed, 5c. per pkt.; 15c. per oz.; $1.00 per lb. Fine two-year-old roots, 50c. per dozen; $2.50 per 100.

Artichoke.

Globe—This is cultivated for its unopened flower-buds, which are cooked like Asparagus. On established plants these buds are borne constantly from September until frost, when tender succulent vegetables are getting scarce. Hardy perennial, easily grown in any good garden soil, and lasts for many years. Protect by light litter the first winter. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

Beans—(*Pole.*)

A standard vegetable, fine for either "snap" or "shell," green or dry beans. Easily grown. Do not plant until the ground begins to get warm, and never hoe while the leaves are wet, as it tends to rust. Give pole sorts support early.

Golden Wax Flageolet—Deservedly a popular variety. Robust vines crowded with clusters of wax-like, golden-yellow pods, full, fleshy and stringless, and quality of the very best. A handsome light color when cooked. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 35c.; quart, 60c.

Lazy Wife's—The old standby. A good cornfield Bean, and unsurpassed as a general garden sort. Never fails to produce loads of round, thick-fleshed pods, fine for snaps, and last long in perfect condition. Fine as a shell Bean also, and of superior quality. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.

Yard Long or Cuban Asparagus—This is a real curiosity. We have measured pods over three feet long, though two feet is a more common length. Quality very good, and pods freely borne. Pkt., 15c.; pint, 50c.

Early Golden Cluster—This bears a profusion of handsome golden pods, six to eight inches long, and continues in bearing a long time. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 50c.

Mammoth Podded Lima—(KING OF THE GARDEN). The Limas have a distinct, rich, buttery flavor, very different from all other sorts, and are much liked by most people, either to use green or dry. Used as Shell Beans only. We consider this variety the finest of all, with enormous pods containing four to six immense beans in each. Give a hot, sunny location. Boil until tender; pour off the water, and season with butter, salt and a little cream. Limas cook much quicker than any other Beans and are incomparably richer. Pkt., 15c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 55c.

Willow Leaf Lima—On account of its unique appearance, great productiveness and beauty, this is an extraordinary new Bean. It differs from all other Beans in its fine, deeply cut, willow-like foliage, wonderful rapidity of growth and enormous productiveness. Its slender, graceful growth and beautiful wavy green foliage make it quite an ornamental vine, while its rapidity of growth adapts it to positions on porches, verandas, etc., where shade is needed. In such a position it is not only doubly useful, but ornamental. One can form some idea of its great productiveness when we state that as many as 1,729 pods have been counted on one vine. They are produced from early until late, are pure white in color and of extra fine flavor. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

CHILDS' HORTICULTURAL.

Childs' Horticultural—The old Horticultural, with the exception of the Limas, enjoyed the distinction of being the finest flavored Shell Bean known, and was also considered very fine as a Snap Bean. Unfortunately it was a poor bearer but we have come into possession of a strain where this defect has been bred out. This new strain will be found to be as prolific and many seeded to the pod as any other first-class sort, while still retaining its rich flavor. Beans thick, large and round white speckled and blotched with bright scarlet. A fine dry Bean for baking or for stewing and serving with butter or cream. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 35c.; quart, 60c.

Childs' Horticultural Lima—This novelty is a cross between the old Horticultural Bean the finest flavored of all common pole beans—and the pole Lima; the richest and most buttery flavored of all beans. In color and markings this new cross resembles the Horticultural, but is flat like the Lima, while the flavor is a combination of these two finest of all beans. This bean is fully three weeks earlier than any other Lima, and is also much more prolific. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 35c.; quart, 60c.

Beans.—(*Bush.*)

Burpee's Bush Lima—This grows 18 to 20 inches high, of stout growth, erect, branching vigorously into a fine circular bush two or three feet in diameter. This bush character is permanently established, and not two per cent will attempt to throw up runners. Leaves of large size, healthy and vigorous, leathery and dark emerald green, showing great health and strong constitution. It is the only bush form of the large-seeded Lima, and ten times more valuable than the small-seeded sorts. Its yield is quite wonderful, each bush producing 50 to 200 large pods, well filled with beans of great size, and of the true, rich, luscious Lima flavor. It is a matter of congratulation that we can now raise the true large Lima without the trouble and expense of obtaining and setting poles. It comes absolutely true from seed, and should be found in every garden now that we can offer it so cheaply. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Jackson's Wonder Bush Lima—A very prolific Bush Lima, the beans being flat and beautifully speckled, of fair size and fine quality. It is probably twice as prolific as Henderson's Bush Lima, and also a greater yielder than Burpee's. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 55c.

Henderson's Bush Lima—This is a bush variety of the small Lima, a very rich, luscious Bean that has the advantage of not requiring poles to run on, while it comes earlier into bearing. The Bush Limas are now very popular. Pkt., 5c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 45c.

New Early Golden-eyed Wax—Ten days earlier than any other golden wax, and, moreover, is absolutely rust proof. An immense bearer, and pods tender and crisp. A superb market sort, because of its beautiful color and uniformity. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Extra Early Refugee—The earliest strain of Refugee by ten days. One of the most profitable Beans ever grown. Loaded with pods in any season, and of fine quality. Grown by all market gardeners, who are always quick to pick up a good thing and to stick to it after they once see it. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c ; quart, 40c.

Perfection Wax—Golden yellow pods of fine quality and handsome appearance. Very prolific. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Refugee Wax—A splendid wax bean of finest quality and very early. Pkt., 5c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Improved Golden Wax—Large golden pods, tender and wax-like. A fine variety. Pkt., 5c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Yosemite Monster Wax—Mammoth pods 8 to 10 inches long, as thick as one's finger and very fleshy and thick-meated. Color a rich golden yellow, very clear and wax-like. Bush an enormous bearer; sure to attract attention anywhere from the size of its great pods. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 35c.; qt. 60c.

Date Wax—A German sort of much merit, with tender, fleshy pods of a deep golden yellow, and entirely stringless. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Early Six Weeks—A standard variety of proven merit. Very reliable. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

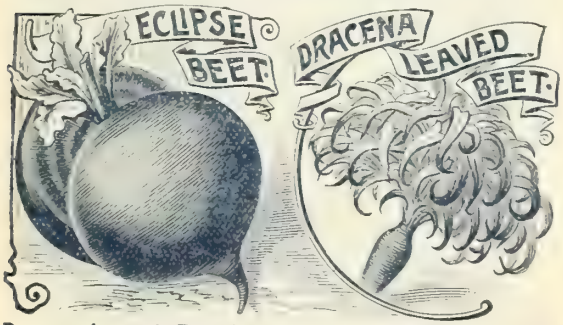
Lightning—While not quite equaling Jack's fabulous bean stalk, of the fairy tale, that grew up and blossomed in a night, it still is very early and needs to be closely watched when the beans begin to form, as a very few days from the blossom will give pods suitable for string beans. But they keep right on growing, and in a few days more the pods have toughened and not long after are fit for shelling. Besides being the earliest Bean, it is of fine quality and a great yielder. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Beet.

The sweet, tender roots of this are very fine for summer, fall and winter use, while the tops are very useful for greens. Vinegar in which Beets have been pickled is often used to pickle hard-boiled eggs, as it gives them a beautiful color and pleasant flavor. When young and tender, Beets are most delicious if boiled or steamed until tender, then sliced or chopped into small pieces and seasoned with butter and pepper.

Edmand's Blood Turnip—This is winning golden opinions everywhere. Smooth, round shape, exceedingly sweet and tender, and never coarse, tough or stringy. Very early, but remains in good condition for a long time. An extra fine market sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Eclipse—A very early Beet, of beautiful dark, rich color, and smooth, round shape. Quality of the very best. Our strain is pure. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.



Dracena Leaved—Brought out as an ornamental leaved plant, which indeed it is; but the table quality of the roots is so very fine it is now classed among table Beets. Roots dark red, and very sweet and tender. Foliage long and narrow, deep metallic red. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.

Detroit Early Dark Red Turnip—This is claimed to be perfection itself. Early, smooth, uniform, quick growth, small top, tender, and darkest red color. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Black Queen—A fine new sort of extra fine appearance and quality. Flesh of rich, black-red color, and leaves and stalks partaking of the same ruddy color. Root pear-shaped, smooth, well buried in the ground. A very distinct variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

Improved Early Blood Turnip—Very fine quality, and an old, popular sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Early Egyptian Dark Turnip—Another fine standard sort; very early, high flavored, sweet and good. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Improved Long Smooth Red—Long, handsome roots, of fine quality. A great cropper and good keeper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Bastian's Blood Turnip—An early, quick-growing sort, highly esteemed by all market gardeners, as it is large, deep red in color, and very tender and rich when cooked, never losing its fine color. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 50c.

Lane's White Sugar—This is the well-known "Sugar Beet," so largely planted for sugar. Sweetest of all. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

One packet each of above ten sorts for 50c.

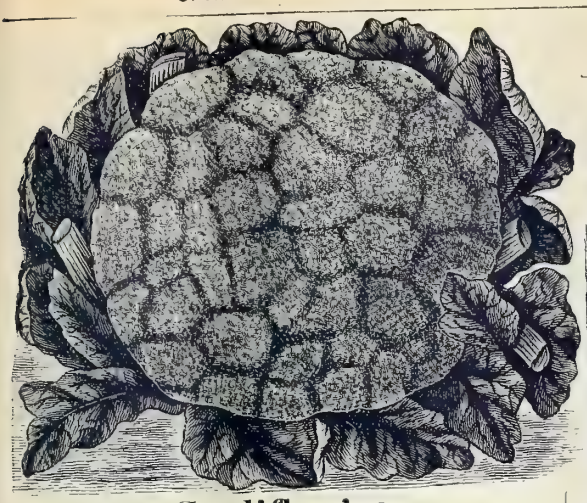
GOLDEN TANKARD

Mangel Wurzel Beets.

These giant Beets are grown mainly for stock feeding, and they produce enormous crops. The two following are best, and by far the most productive—in short, all that can be desired.

Mammoth Long Red—This grows to weigh 20 to 30 pounds and is calculatad to produce upwards of 50,000 pounds of roots to the acre. Animals are very fond of it, and the roots are very nutritious. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 40c.; 5 or 10 lb. lots by express, at 30c. per lb.

Golden Tankard—A new yellow sort, very sweet and tender. Large oval roots, much easier to pull than the long mangels. A heavy cropper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 40c.; 5 or 10 lb. lots by express, 30c. per lb.



Cauliflower.

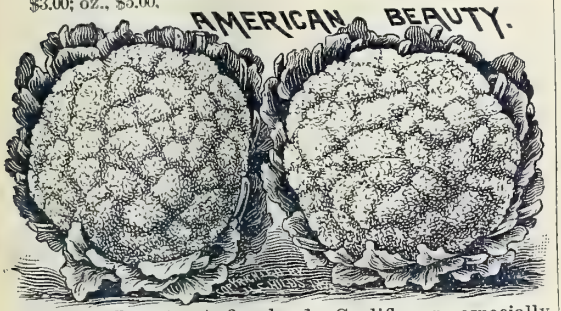
The most luscious of all the Cabbage family. Requires high cultivation and rich soil. Cook by steaming until tender, then dress with drawn butter and serve hot. It is one of the most delicious of garden vegetables.

Early Paris—A standard early sort, of compact habit, and fair-sized heads of good quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., $1.00.

Large White French—Large, white heads of finest quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 75c.

Snow Ball—One of the very best varieties for general culture. Dwarf, compact grower, with large heads of snowy whiteness and delicious flavor. This is a sure header, very early, but valuable for late as well as for early Cauliflowers. Pkt., 15c.; oz., $2.50; lb., $30.

Earliest Dwarf Erfurt—Valuable for garden culture, and an extra fine forcing sort. Our strain of this is the finest to be had in Germany, and it is considered to be the perfection of all Cauliflowers. Pkt., 25c.; ⅛ oz., $1.00; ½ oz., $3.00; oz., $5.00.

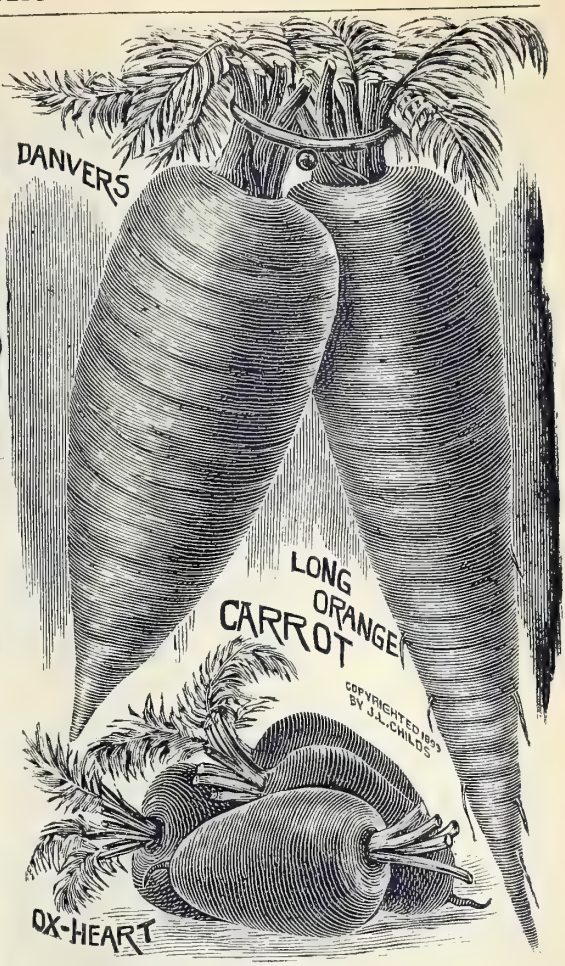


American Beauty—A fine hardy Cauliflower, especially adapted to American soil and climate, as it is an American strain and American grown seed. Heads early, size large, quality the very best. Pkt., 10c.; oz., $2.25.

Brussels Sprouts.

Defiance—A finely bred, large and tender strain of this delicious vegetable. Stem tall and covered with tender little heads or "sprouts" from top to bottom. Quality very fine when cooked and served like Cabbage. This splendid vegetable should be more generally grown. All who have tried it prefer it to Cabbage. It is easily grown, and those who once try it always grow it. Pkt. 10c.; oz., 50c.

Matchless—A variety of vigorous growth and fine solid sprouts of the very best quality. An extra fine sort, which is highly prized in Europe. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.



Carrot.

Popular both for table and stock. A heavy cropper. Roots can be kept for winter, like beets or turnips.

Danvers—(Private Stock). The true strain. No better to be found anywhere. All gardeners know the importance of securing the best seed to grow really fine crops. This can be relied upon as the best seed to be obtained at any price. This will yield 30 tons per acre. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 80c.

Improved Long Orange—A very popular variety for stock feeding. Heavy cropper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.

Oxheart—An early table sort; small and short, but fine grained and tender. Can be forced or sown in the garden for early use. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

Cress—(*Peppergrass.*)

Extra Curled—An appetizing relish, of fresh, piquant taste, often added to lettuce and other fresh salads for variety. Splendid for canaries, who are very partial to it, and keep healthier for its use. Very easy to grow, and can be sown in any little nook or vacant spot. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Water Cress—Grown in moist, wet places, or at the edge of running streams. Increases rapidly, is very hardy, and as it is of an evergreen nature can be used all winter. A salad bowl heaped full of this Cress, of dark green leaves, is a pretty sight in January. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 35c.

Cabbage.

There is no garden vegetable grown that success or failure so plainly depends upon the quality of seeds sown. Poor seed of Cabbage is dear at any price. Our seed is all raised on Long Island, where the finest Cabbages in the world are grown. We could buy common Cabbage seed for very much less, but we know our customers would rather pay a little more and get seed they can rely upon. Three things are necessary to raise fine Cabbages: Extra good seed, rich, mellow soil, and thorough cultivation.

Childs' Bismarck—This wonderful cabbage, introduced by us three years ago, was produced by cross-fertilizing extra fine strains of Drumhead, Flat Dutch and Large Drumhead Savoy; then by careful selection and saving for several years a type was established entirely distinct, and, we believe, superior to any other Cabbage. It shows the Savoy blood by dark green color and slightly wavy leaves, though not crinkled. It possesses the largest size ever attained in Drumhead or Flat Dutch and the superb quality of the Savoy. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.75.

Early Long Island Wakefield—A standard variety, early and of fine quality. Our strain is perfect. Pkt., 10c., oz., 30c.; lb., $2.50.

Newark Early Flat Dutch—An early large Cabbage of excellent quality of the flat-head type. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $3.00.

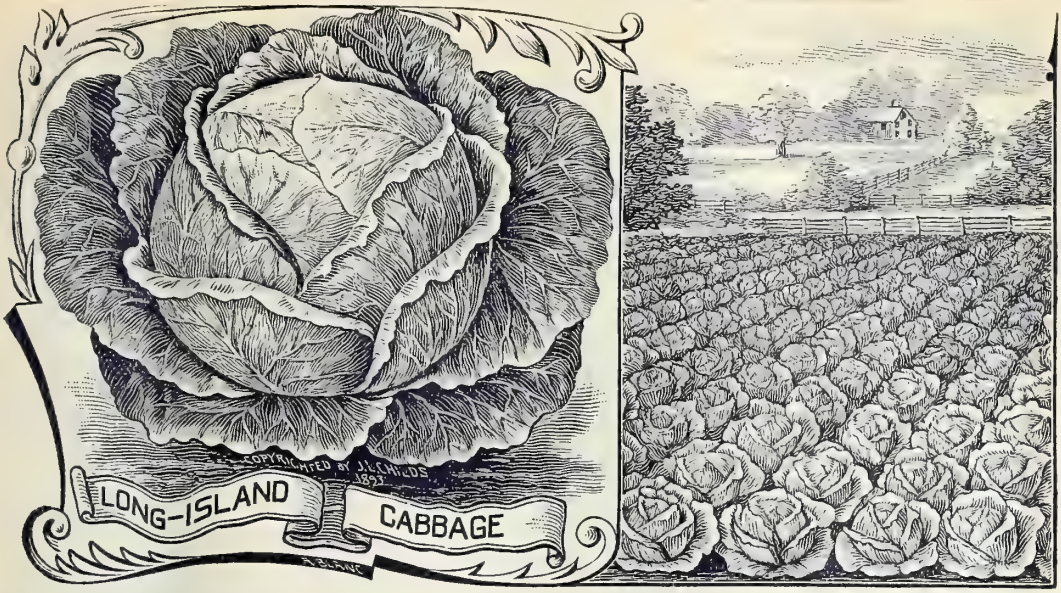
Excelsior Large Flat Dutch—This is a fine strain of Flat Dutch, always a standard sort, particularly in the South and Southwest, as it heads well in hot weather. Quality good and size large. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

True Surehead—This is also of the Flat Dutch type, and therefore very certain to head, however hot and dry the weather. The heads are large, round, and flat, and very hard and firm of texture, fine grained, and of most excellent quality. It is also a remarkably good shipper and keeper, and is bound to become a universal favorite. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Winningstadt—This is a German variety, very distinct, with large, pointed heads, solid and closely packed. Very fine quality and exceedingly popular. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Red Dutch—The most popular pickling Cabbage. Large deep red. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $2.00.

Vandergaw—A highly bred Cabbage that could hardly be improved in any respect. Compact, short-stemmed, sure to head, with heads very uniform and hard, few outer leaves, and quality of the very best; crisp, fine-grained, and delicate and delicious flavor. Can be used as second early, main crop, or as a late Cabbage, by sowing seed in succession. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.50.



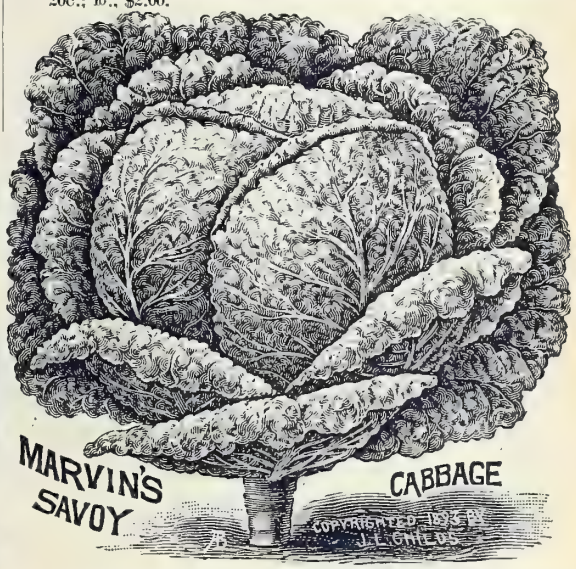
Long Island—A new early sort of great value, and one which can be grown for early, medium or late crops, either at the North or South. It is very early, of large size, uniform and a sure header; it does not burn or blister, but retains its lustrous, fresh green color even after being shipped to distant markets; hence its great selling qualities. By those who have grown it, it is said to be the most valuable Cabbage in cultivation, and from our experience we can say that it really is the finest and most profitable sort to grow, either North or South. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

World Beater—A new Cabbage, as large or larger than Marblehead Mammoth, yet uniform in size and true to type, and a *very solid header*. No doubt it is the very best Mammoth Cabbage to be had. Originated here on Long Island by a noted Cabbage grower. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.25.

All-Seasons—As the name would indicate, good for all seasons—early, medium or late. A sure header and long keeper; quality very fine. It is a remarkably good new sort. Head large and solid, round with flat top, finest quality, and ready for marketing almost as early as the standard early sorts. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.50.

Succession—A second early sort, of uniformly very large size, very full and handsome. A fine selling variety which always brings a good price. A Cabbage which has had a remarkable sale and is a general favorite everywhere among market gardeners. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.50.

Perfection Drumhead Savoy—The Savoy Cabbages are not nearly as much grown as they ought to be. Easily distinguished by their crisped, wrinkled leaves and their distinct, marrow-like flavor when cooked, approaching the taste of Cauliflower more nearly than any other Cabbage. This is one of the best Savoys. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.



Marvin's Savoy—An extra fine Savoy. A sure header with large wrinkled heads, that are delightfully tender and crisp. A fall and winter Cabbage, keeping well and not losing its flavor. The best of all Savoys, which have the most delicate flavor and are more crisp and tender than other Cabbages. A superb sort for the home garden. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $3.00.

Variegated—This is a unique novelty among vegetables and is a highly ornamental plant. It is of the ordinary size and habit of growth of a Cabbage, but the dark green leaves are streaked and blotched with white, rose, red and lilac, and when the plant attains its size it makes a splendid show when planted in rows or masses, or when grown as single specimens, especially in the autumn and during winter. Freezing only intensifies the beautiful coloring of the leaves, and all during late fall and early winter it is an object of great beauty. While the ornamental character of this variety forms its main feature, and is of the greatest value, it is by no means useless as a vegetable, as it is a true-heading Cabbage and the heads are of fair size and excellent quality, and owing to their great beauty, sell readily. Pkt., 10c.

SPECIAL OFFER.

For only 75c. we will send one packet each of these fifteen finest Cabbages. It gives one a chance to ascertain the best sorts for their locality.

Sweet Corn.

Every family garden ought to have a selection of Sweet Corn, from the earliest to the latest varieties. Fine for drying as well as for summer table use.

Childs' Honey Dew—A superb novelty. For years seedsmen have been working to get a corn as early as the Cory, with large ear, white cob and superb quality of the later varieties. We at last have it. Childs' Honey Dew is not only the earliest, but has a good sized ear, white cob, and large, pearly kernels of the very finest quality, tender, sweet and nutritious. It also keeps a long time in good condition before hardening, and runs perfectly uniform, every ear exactly alike. In all-round good qualities it is the finest of all Sweet Corns. It grows to a medium height and the ears are formed low, and two or three on each stalk. Mr. Wilbur, the extensive seed-corn grower of Weathersfield, Conn., who grew an acre of the Honey Dew the past season, says: "It is the finest Early Corn." This is undoubtedly the most important vegetable novelty of last year, and we are now prepared to supply it in quantity for the use of market gardeners. It is the most profitable corn to plant, combining as it does good size and color, luscious quality, handsome appearance and long keeping, and earliest to mature. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c. We will send a peck by express for $1.00, or a bushel for $3.50.

California—A fit companion for our Honey Dew, and with these two varieties one can wish for nothing further in the line of Sweet Corn. This is a late variety of enormous size and great beauty of ear. Pkt. 10c.; pt. 25c; qt. 40c.

Cory Extra Early—One of the most valuable early Corns grown. One to two weeks earlier than any other sort, except Childs' Honey Dew, while the ears are plump and of good size, and quality sweet, tender and delicious. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 20c.; quart, 35c.

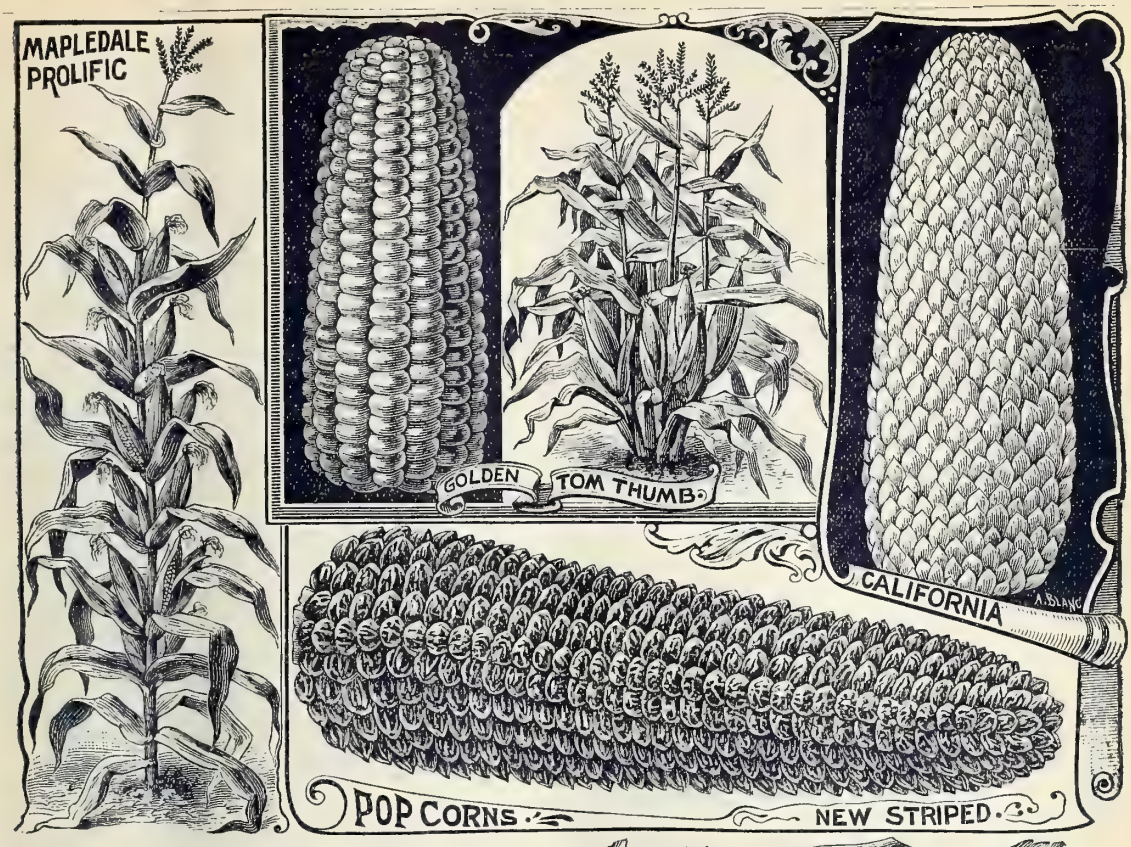
Improved Ruby—The stalks and husks are of a beautiful claret red color, contrasting beautifully with the pearly white ears within. Quality extra good, kernels being very sweet and tender. Best table variety. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.

Burbank's Early Maine—Claimed to be as early as the Cory. A fine table sort, with creamy-white kernels, very sweet and juicy. This strain has been developed by very careful selection, and will please all who try it. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Shoe Peg, Ne Plus Ultra, or Quaker Sweet—One of the very best eating varieties grown. An old sort, but none the less valuable on that account. Very deep kernels, of the sweetest and most appetizing flavor, and one of the best of all for drying and canning. A prolific and thoroughly reliable Corn. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Evergreen—A grand late sort that remains in bearing a long time. Sweet and good. An old standard favorite. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 20c.; quart, 35c.

Mammoth—Immense ears, of superb quality, very late. Can scarcely be omitted from a first-class garden. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.



Pop Corn.

Here's something for the boys and girls. Did you ever see a youngster that did not enjoy popping corn and watching the hard little kernels burst suddenly out into balls of white; light as a feather, and deliciously sweet and toothsome? Give every boy or girl a row of Pop Corn for his or her own. The sweet little misses like the pretty sorts, the boys like those that bear the most. Then, with nuts and apples, games to play and corn to pop, our little folks will pass away the long winter evenings with mirth and happiness at home, rather than on the streets. The following sorts are mostly new and of greatly improved quality:

California Golden—Beautiful little golden ears but two or three inches long, and crowded with little pointed grains that pop out large, light and snowy white. Often used for Christmas decoration, both the little golden ears and the white popped corn strung on long strings for festooning. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Mapledale Prolific—This is the Pop Corn for profit. The stalks bear the almost incredible number of 10 to 20 ears to each stalk, while the quality is very fine. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.

Golden Tom Thumb—This Pop Corn only grows 18 inches high, and the dainty little ears are only two inches long with smooth, golden-yellow kernels in regular rows. This little toy corn is not only very pretty, but it pops beautifully white and large, and is very crisp and tender. Its compact growth fit it for city or village lots, where land is reckoned by the foot, not by the acre. Golden Tom Thumb grows quickly and ripens its crop by the first of August. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

New Striped—A fancy variety, very showy, while its quality is of the very best. Rather large ears, filled out with clear, transparant white kernels, beautifully striped with bright crimson. An early and productive variety, and one of great beauty. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts. for 25c.

Improved Red Rice—A good old sort, with good-sized ears and dark red kernels that pop as white as snow. Indispensable on account of the great beauty of its rich ruby-colored ears. Pkt., 5c.; pint, 25c.

Tattooed Yankee—A new and exceedingly odd variety from Maine. It is of the rice type, color golden yellow, the ear being blotched, spotted and marked in various places with tattoo black kernals. It is of fine appearance, very early, an abundant yielder, and an extra fine sort for popping. Attracts great attention at fairs. Pkt., 10c.

SPECIAL OFFER—*For only 30c. we will send one packet each of these six odd and superb sorts of Pop Corn.*

Egg Plant.—*New York Improved.*

Very popular in all the city markets. This is the earliest, finest and largest variety grown, and a fine sort for either market or private garden. Start seed in hot-bed and transplant into warm, rich, mellow soil The fruit is very handsome, large, smooth and round and of a rich, shining purple-black color, and is borne until frost. Cook by cutting into half or quarter-inch slices, and after paring dip them into salted water for an hour, then dip in beaten egg and cracker crumbs and fry in hot fat until golden brown. It has a meaty flavor much liked by everybody. This is absolutely the very finest strain of Egg Plant in cultivation. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.; lb., $4.00.

Cucumber.

Do not try to grow Cucumbers in poorly prepared ground. Make low flat hills from four to six feet apart, each hill two or three feet across, and thoroughly pulverize sixteen to eighteen inches deep. Mix a large shovelful of rotted manure in the soil of each hill, and plant from six to eight seeds in each, as some are apt to fail. If bugs appear, dust with slug shot or with lime and soot. Allow no fruit to ripen on vines. For pickles and late Cucumbers, seed can be sown as late as July.

Childs' Ivory Monarch—The king of all Cucumbers, growing nearly two feet in length and weighing five or six pounds. Six times larger than any other sort. It is really a monster, and when half grown exceedingly fine in quality. Its enormous size, great beauty and oddity make it one of the finest vegetables for exhibiting at fairs, and it never fails to capture first prize. Its flesh is thick and solid, with a very small seed cavity, and notwithstanding its size, it has fewer seeds than any other Cucumber we ever saw. Pkt., 15c.; 3 pkts.; 30c.

Giant Pera—A very popular Turkish variety, altogether distinct from any other Cucumber. It needs more cultivation and is then very fine. A profuse bearer of smooth round fruits from twelve to twenty inches long, flesh white, crisp and brittle, with very few seeds, and quite free from all unpleasant "green" taste. The vine is a strong, rank grower, and bears until frost. Pkt.10c.; oz.20c.

Improved Early Russian—One of the most valuable, especially in the South. It is so very dwarf, hills need be only three feet apart, yet it is one of the most prolific varieties of all, bearing its short, plump fruits in clusters, and if not allowed to ripen seed will bear from June until October, and that in hot, dry weather that crisps almost every other variety, root and branch. It needs deep, rich hills to do this, but is certain then to succeed. We believe there is no variety superior to this. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.00.

Bennett's White Spine—(Private Stock.) Our seed of this is saved from one of the finest stocks on Long Island, and Long Island leads the world on choice garden vegetables. These Cucumbers grow seven to ten inches long, uniformly plump and full to the very ends, a glossy dark green in color. A superior variety in every respect. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.00.

Early Green Cluster—A prolific variety, with crisp, brittle fruit. A fine pickling variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 80c.

Japanese Climbing—This Cucumber is such a strong and vigorous grower that the vines attain twice the length of ordinary varieties. The vines climb readily, and they may be grown on fences, poles or trellises, thus saving much valuable space in small gardens. The fruits are of a fine lovely green color, about a foot in length. Flesh thick and firm and of splendid quality. Never bitter and exceedingly fine for pickling, as well as for slicing. The vines never mildew and the fruit being raised well above the ground is always free from insects, rot or rust. When picked freely a vine will continue bearing during the entire season and one hill will keep a good sized family supplied with this delicious vegetable all summer. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

Long China—A very solid Cucumber, with few seeds, and growing eighteen to twenty inches long. A fine and prolific variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $1.25.

Thorburn's Everbearing—Claimed to even excel the Early Russian in its everbearing character, producing fruit in immense quantities, whether fruit is allowed to ripen on the vines or not. Fine for table or for pickles. Cucumbers short and thick. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

Cherkin—Classed with Cucumbers, although really not a Cucumber at all. Small, thick, oval fruits, very prickly, crisp and tender. Used only for pickling. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.00.

Green Prolific Pickling—A standard pickling variety, with slender, dark-green fruit, very crisp. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Emerald—A new sort, of beautiful shape and fine green color. Flesh tender and crisp and fine flavored and of beautiful appearance. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.50.

One packet each of above eleven sorts, 75c.

Celery.

A vegetable at once healthy, toothsome and beautiful. Said by physicians to be of great benefit in all diseases of the nerves and kidneys. Deliciously fresh, crisp and nutty to the taste, and with the broad stalks ivory-white, waxy-yellow or rosy-red, tipped with finely compound leaflets of pale, glaucous green, are ornaments to the finest table. Sow early in house or hot-bed, and transplant or sow outdoors when the ground becomes warm, making the soil very smooth. When plants are four or five inches high, transplant, giving six inches between plants in the row. Have the soil very fine and rich, plant in trenches, and as the plants grow, draw the earth closely around them to blanch the stems. Never do this in wet weather, or the stems will rust. South of the Ohio, Celery can remain in the ground all winter, with a little protection. In the North, plants should be taken up and stacked closely together, with soil firmed around the roots, and kept in cellar or pit for use.

Giant Pascal—A sport from the Golden Self-Blanching, of immense size, broad, thick stringless stalks, remarkably crisp and nutty, easy to blanch, and the very best keeper of any Celery. The huge stalks of this kind will "snap" like glass, they are so tender, and they never are are watery or strong. Fine market sort and one of the very best for the home garden. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $2.00.

GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING.

White Plume—One of the most beautiful of all, and the earliest. Brittle, fine-grained and the easiest known sort to blanch. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $3.00.

Golden Self-Blanching—Fine to follow White Plume. An exceedingly fine-flavored sort, blanches easily to a beautiful golden yellow, and is very brittle and crisp. No garden complete without it. Pkt.,10c.;oz.,35c.;lb.,$3.50.

New Rose—A fine rose-colored Celery of high flavor, crisp and nutty. Much liked. Pkt.,, 10c.; oz., 50c.

Fern Leaved—The quality of the Celery is very fine, while the leaves are finely cut and fringed, almost like a fern. Fine for decoration of tables, being as beautiful as Parsley. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

Giant Turnip-Rooted, or Celeriac—Stalks hollow, watery and worthless. Bulbs like a small turnip, with a pronounced celery flavor, excellent sliced and cooked for stews, salads, soups, etc. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.

One packet each of the six sorts, 50c.

Dandelion.

Improved Large Leaved—The old "greens" of our grandmothers, now improved to large tufty plants, with wide, long leaves of superior quality. These make a very healthful, nutritious and pleasant food, that can be used very early in the season. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.

Leek, New Giant Italian.

The Leek is a very hardy, easily-grown vegetable, of mild, agreeable flavor, and is much used for soups, stews, etc., as its flavor is more delicate than that of the Onion. This is a new and very large variety, the best for general cultivation. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

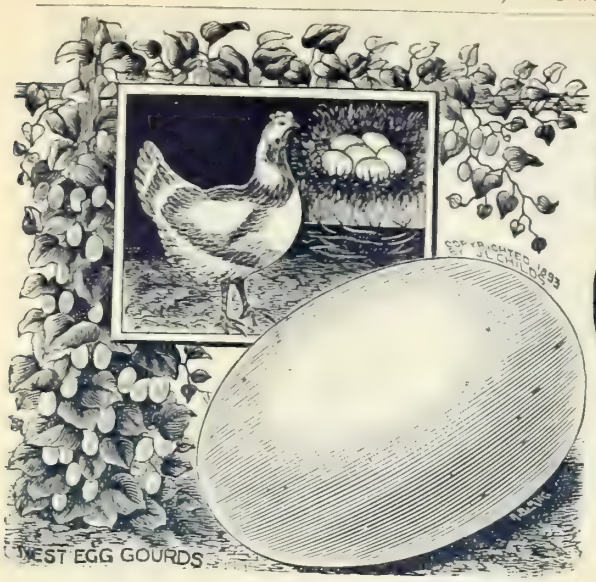
Kohl Rabi.

Extra Early Vienna—A curious vegetable, in appearance half way between a Turnip and a Cabbage, with a turnip-like swelling of the stem above ground, which, while young and tender, has a delicious Cauliflower-like flavor, very appetizing and pleasant. Transplant from seed bed into rich, mellow ground. Very easily grown. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Late Giant—An extraordinary sort on account of its enormous size; grows to weigh 20 pounds and is very tender and fine. A splendid show variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz. 20c.

Kale, Dwarf German.

Kale is very easily grown and much hardier than any Cabbage, standing the winters well, if protected by a little light litter or straw. The action of frost improves their flavor wonderfully, and they are particularly fine for winter and early spring greens. Sow seed in May or June and transplant as for Cabbage. For spring use they may be sown as late as September. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 85c.



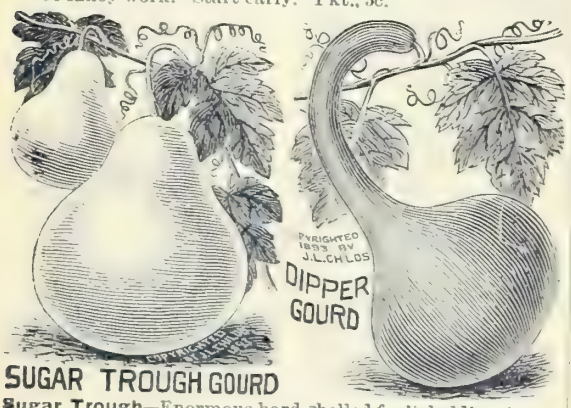
Gourds.

A class of rapid growing vines which produce an abundance of hard shelled fruits that are of much beauty and usefulness. The following are by far the most useful:

Nest Egg, Improved—A striking vine when hanging full of its pretty, curious fruit, that so closely resemble smooth, well-shaped hen's eggs that a hen might well be excused for claiming them as her own production. As the shells become very tough and hard they do not crack or burst open in freezing weather, and are thus very useful for nest eggs. Very ornamental as well as useful. This strain always comes true from seed. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

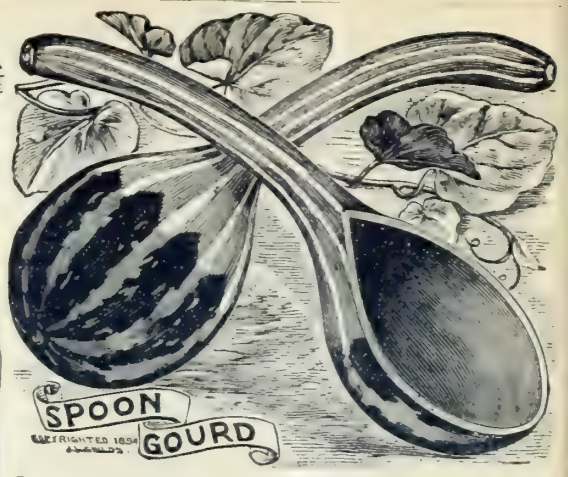
Dipper—Another useful Gourd, that, as the fruit is light and strong and does not rust or rot or heat easily, is just right to use in dipping hot liquids, soap, etc., besides being useful for bird's nests, fancy hanging baskets, etc. They hold from one pint to a quart and a half each. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

Dish Cloth—Ornamental enough for a house vine and fruit very useful. Vines grow large and robust, with large luxuriant dark-green leaves and really handsome, large, crimped flowers of a rich golden-yellow. Fruit enormous, two feet in length and borne in great profusion. The lining of mature fruit, when washed and bleached in sun is porous, tough, elastic, sponge-like, making the nicest, cleanest substitute for dish cloths and bath sponges imaginable, besides being very useful for various articles of fancy work. Start early. Pkt., 5c.



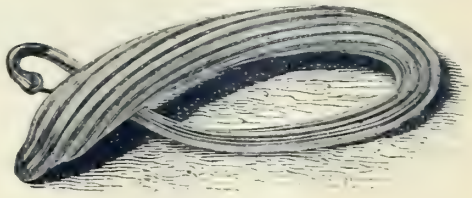
Sugar Trough—Enormous hard-shelled fruit, holding from three to ten gallons each, and as they never rust or rot, and are very light and strong, are just right to use as receptacles for lard, salt, seed corn, soap, etc., or to use as nesting boxes, buckets, etc. They last for years. Pkt., 10c.

Hercules Club—Enormous, long, club-shaped fruit, very curious and at the same time exceedingly useful to use in storing various articles, as the fruit is hard-shelled and last for years in perfect condition. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.



Spoon—A small Gourd, which is both useful and beautiful. Color creamy yellow, capped and striped green. Shell very hard and durable so that when the gourds are cut open (the large part), we have a unique spoon or ladle, with a fine round handle. A most useful article in many ways Free, rank grower. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts for 25c.

Gooseberry—The smallest of the gourds; bears an abundance of beautiful little gooseberry-like gourds. Pkt., 5c.



SERPENT GOURD.

Serpent—The Serpent Gourd bears fruit which is long and slender in shape, often coiled up, and in many ways including shape and color resembling a large serpent. It is highly ornamental as well as exceedingly interesting. Pkt., 10c.

Powderhorn—A real powderhorn shape, and useful in many ways. Pkt., 5c.

Pear Shaped, Yellow and Red—A new gourd of size and shape of a pear. Color yellow with fine red stripes. A most beautiful sort. Pkt., 10c.

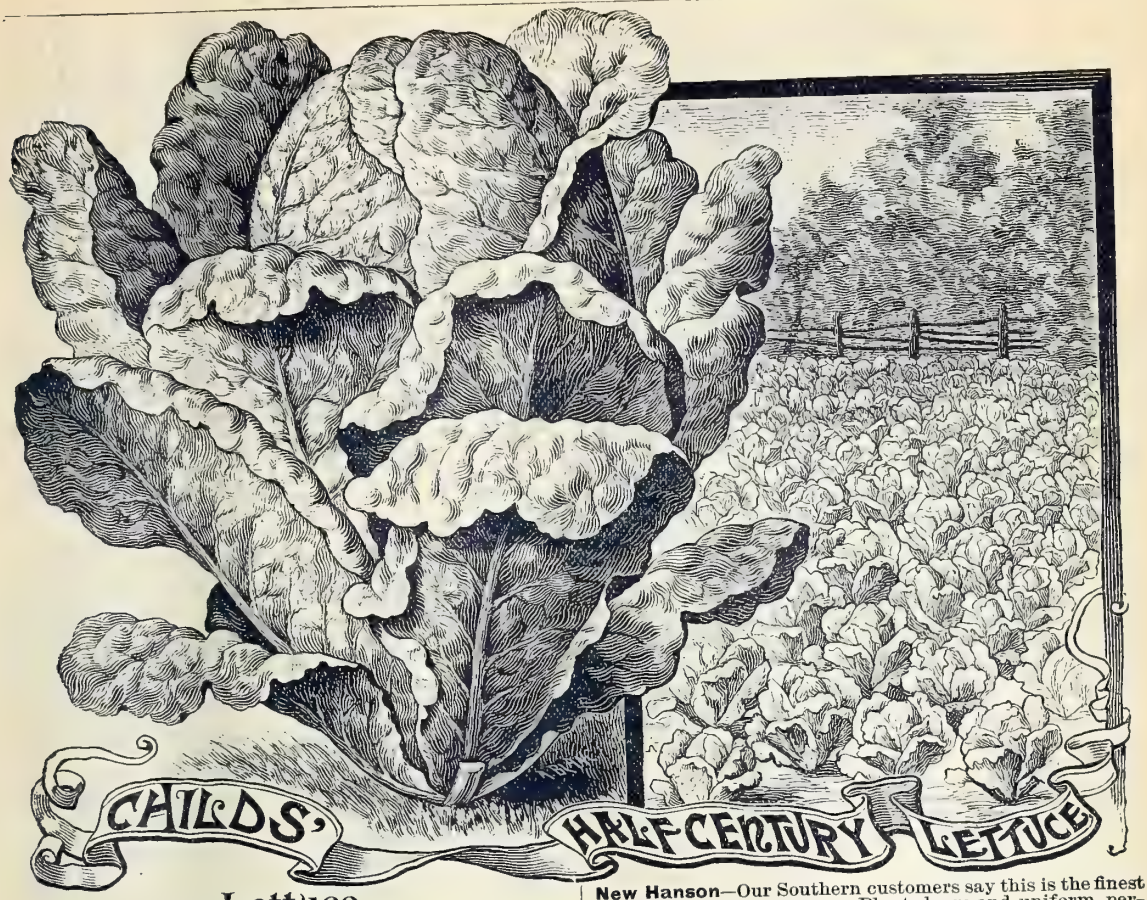
Japanese—Recently introduced from Japan. These gourds are of both large and small sizes and peculiar shape. Very free growers and useful in many ways. Pkt., 5c.

Ground Cherry.

Something like the old Husk Tomato. Easily grown on any light soil and very prolific bearers of tender little fruit, each enclosed in a husk. For pies, sauce and preserves they are much liked, and if left in the husks will keep a long time in a cool dry room. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.

Endive—Green Curled.

Well known in fashionable restaurants under the name of Chicoree, and particularly fine served with Lettuce with French dressing. Sow seed from middle of June to end of August. When wanted for use blanch the inside leaves by tying the outer leaves together. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.



Lettuce.

An indispensable vegetable,—certainly the finest salad plant known. Easily grown, either in hot-bed or garden, and can be sown very early. South of Mason and Dixon's line, can be sown in open ground in fall, and needs only a slight protection of straw or loose litter to be perfectly hardy.

Childs' Half Century—We all know how much careful selection year after year has to do with the quality of our vegetables, but there are few things can claim a half-century's descent from only the choicest and best specimens of one type. This Lettuce can do so, however, and we are not surprised, therefore at its superior qualities. Its leaves fold together, forming a long, loose head, remarkable for tenderness and delicious flavor. It may seem a good deal to say, but it is, nevertheless a fact, that for tenderness, brittleness and delicious quality, this Lettuce grown in the open ground, surpasses any other sort grown under glass. Nothing can approach it in quality. It is so bright and tender that its leaves break to pieces in handling, if care is not used. Fifty years is a long time to cultivate, select and improve any vegetable; but it has surely accomplished much in this Lettuce. It is a quick grower and attains its full size in forty to fifty days, and remains in fine condition for a very long time. Pkt., 10c.; oz ,25c.; lb., $2.50.

Buttercup—A beautiful golden sort, almost as ornamental as Coleus. Large heads and fine quality; beautiful golden yellow. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

New Hanson—Our Southern customers say this is the finest Lettuce they can grow. Plants large and uniform, perfect heads, quality superlatively fine, and stands heat extraordinarily well. There is probably no better large heading sort than this. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

Curled Simpson—A fine old sort, still able to hold its own against all new comers. In every respect this is a first-class sort, and always popular. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.

Denver Market, or Savoy—An early variety of Head Lettuce, either for forcing or open ground. Forms large, solid heads of a good light green color. The leaves are beautifully marked and blistered (like Savoy Cabbages), and crisp and tender; of excellent flavor. This is in many respects a most unique lettuce, and one which will be very popular as soon as known, occupying the same place among Lettuces as Savoys do among Cabbages. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25.

LETTUCE, TOMHANNOCK.

Tomhannock—Just the Lettuce we have all been looking for; one that will stand the hot dry weather of midsummer without growing bitter, tough or running to seed. It makes a beautiful bunch a foot high, and even more across, and the leaves are delightfully crisp and tender. Light green, well bronzed. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $1.75.

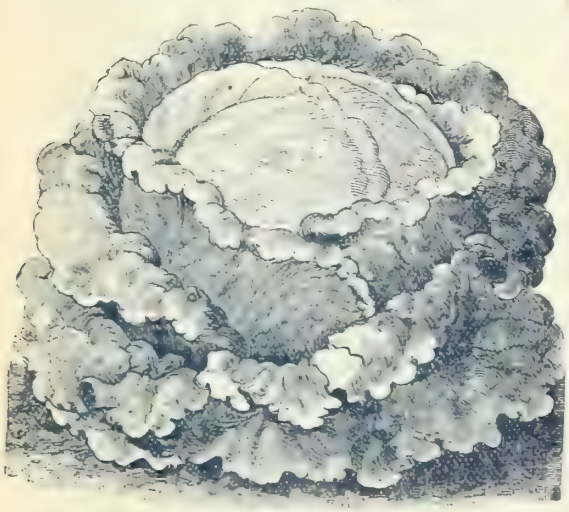
Golden Heart—A very handsome large-growing variety of rich golden yellow color. Good quality, grows quickly, and is ready to use early. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.50.

White Paris Cos—This is a popular European sort, and is good for forcing early or summer sowing. Well grown heads weigh 5 to 7 pounds. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.35.

Tennisball—A very firm head lettuce, and one of the very best of all for forcing. Largely grown for the critical Boston market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

Boston Fine Curled—An early, beautiful sort, with beautifully curled green leaves, and very crisp and tender. This is a splendid sort for forcing in greenhouses or frames. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

New Hard Head—Almost as solid as a Cabbage. Although it forms a head quickly, it stands a long time before seeding. Quality of the very best, and entirely free from bitterness. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.



LETTUCE, CREAM BUTTER.

Cream Butter—A crisp, tender, richly flavored variety, forming large heads of a beautiful creamy color. Medium early, and stands summer heat remarkably well. This is one of the very best summer varieties of head Lettuce we have ever grown. Heads very solid, crisp, and of a beautiful and refreshing cream color. In quality it is very buttery and rich. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

One packet each of the twelve sorts for 60c.

Garden Vine Fruit.

Garden Lemon—This new vegetable is a great boon to all those sections of the country where fruit is scarce, as its fruits make delicious preserves, sauce, etc., and are more easily prepared. This is something like the Vine Peach, but needs no lemon in putting up, as it is much more acid. Cultivate like the musk melon. Pkt. 10c.; oz. 25c.; lb. $1.40.

Vine Peach—This sort has fruits the size of a large peach, and of a bright orange color. Flesh firm, and when cooked with lemon to give it a slight acidity, makes fine pies, sauce, sweet pickles or preserves. Easily grown, and a good keeper. Stored in a cool dry place they keep fresh and good for several months. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.

Okra, White Velvet.

The Okra, or "Gumbo," is very popular for making soups, stews, etc. This new sort is undeniably the best variety grown. Its large, thick pods are round and smooth and of an ivory-white color. It is a very profuse bearer, and is ornamental as well as useful. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 80c.

Mustard.

White London—Much relished for early greens. Broad, tender leaves and quick grower. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Chinese—A rank grower, several feet in height, and such a rapid grower that leaves may be gathered six weeks after sowing. The broad large leaves remain in condition to use until frost. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 90c.

PERENNIAL TREE ONION.

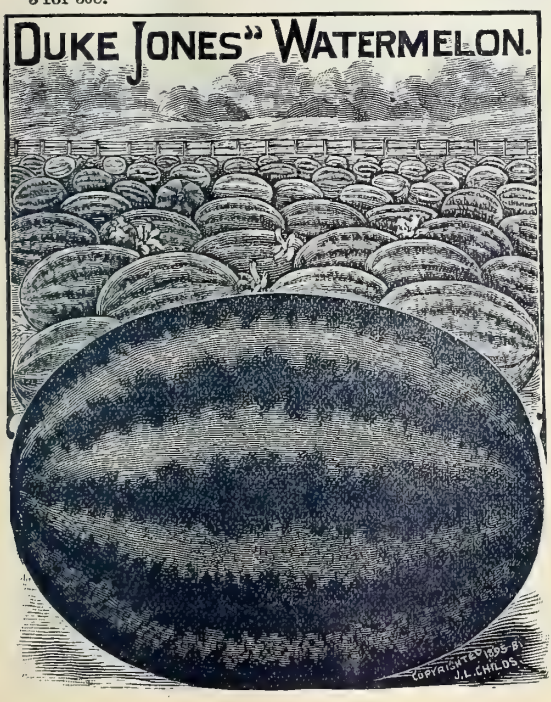
Egyptian or Perennial Tree Onion—In this we have an entirely new variety of Onion. It differs from those raised from seeds or sets, from the top Onion, potato Onion, in the fact that when once set out, without the slightest protection, it will come up year after year as soon as the frost breaks ground, and grow so rapidly that it is ready for market or home use two or three weeks before any of them. It is usually ready for the table early in May. Is unsurpassed for sweetness and tenderness. It is perfectly hardy in all sections of the North. Differs widely from all other forms of top or potato Onion, and should have a place in every home garden. Pint, 20c.; quart, 30c., postpaid; peck, by express, $1.00.

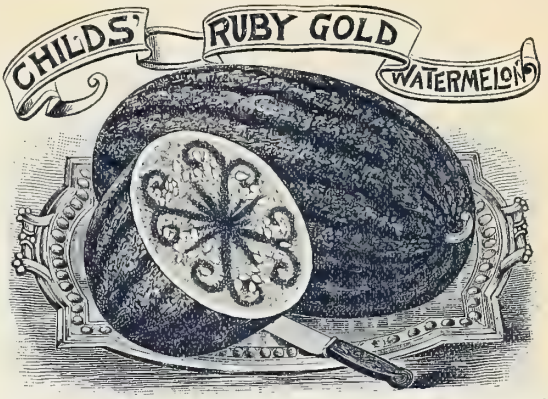
CLIMBING WATERMELON.

Watermelon.

Never plant Watermelons on hard, poor soil. Plant in large, deep, mellow hills, made very rich with well-rotted manure, and you will have great crops of this delicious vegetable, which to be had at its best, must be picked from one's own garden.

New Climbing—In Northern Russia, where the Watermelon does not mature in the open ground, this variety has been grown trained up on trellises under glass. In this country it does not, of course, need to be grown under glass, as it attains its greatest perfection in the open ground, and is the earliest Watermelon in cultivation, and one which is most unique in many particulars. The melons are freely produced and are spherical in shape, weighing four or five pounds, and a deep olive-green color. The rind is very thin and the flesh rich crimson; very juicy, melting and delicious. The seeds are black and very small, being more like good-sized apple seeds than like watermelon seeds. This is sure to become one of the most popular garden melons on account of its extreme earliness and on account, also, of its most delicious quality and climbing habit. Pkt., 15c; 3 for 30c.





Childs' Ruby Gold—A variety introduced by us. The most beautiful table Melon grown. Fine for table decorations, cut crosswise and alternated with slices of deep-red melons. In shape the melons are a long oval, two feet or more in length, and will weigh 40 to 60 pounds each. The flesh is a rich, solid, golden-yellow, with star-like center of carmine or ruby-red, almost too beautiful to think of eating, yet its quality is as superior as its appearance. There is absolutely no core or hard spots in it, but the flesh is juicy, sweet, luscious, melting in the mouth almost like ice-cream. Lasts long in perfect condition without getting "stringy" or "mealy." Early, and sure cropper. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25.

Hungarian Honey—One of the most delicious varieties known, of an almost honey-like sweetness. Round, dark green melons that will average about ten pounds each; flesh rich and melting. Extra early and fine for the Northern States. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25.

Phinney—An early, oval variety, prolific, sweet and crisp. One of the best. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Mountain Sweet—A fine old sort, so deliciously sweet and tender that it will almost melt in one's mouth. The best variety for the extreme North, where few Watermelons succeed. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Seminole—An extra early large melon, of superior quality and a profuse bearer. Melons either gray or light green in color. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.

Kolb's Gem—The celebrated Southern shipping variety. Will keep thirty days after pulling, and as shell is very hard, rarely bursts in shipping. Large and prolific, juicy and good. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; lb., 60c.

Mammoth Iron Clad—Enormous melons, sometimes weighing from 50 to 75 pounds. Do not plant on heavy soil or they will come into bearing late. A superb melon. Flesh rich and sweet, shell hard and firm, and melons will keep well for weeks after pulling. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Kleckley's Sweet—The earliest large melon, weighing 40 to 60 pounds each and ripening in about seventy days from the time of planting. It is a great yielder, and in quality the sweetest, juciest, most crisp, solid and luscious. Grows two and one-half feet in length Brilliant red inside, dark green without. A great novelty. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.

White Gem—A very distinct variety, brought from China. Round, medium-sized melons of an ivory whiteness, faintly marked with pale green stripes Pink flesh of most delicious flavor, sweet and crisp. Pkt., 10c.

Dixie—A great Watermelon for the South for growing to ship to Northern markets early. It possesses the finest quality, combined with large size, handsome appearance, earliness, long keeping and excellent shipping qualities. It is so much earlier than Kolb's Gem that it gets into market in time to catch the highest prices. It is a great melon for marketing. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Cuban Queen—A very juicy, sweet variety, of the largest size, a special favorite with those who like their melons nearly all core. A splendid seller in the market, a good keeper, and enormously productive. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Chinese Preserving—We introduced this from China several years ago. It is a success in every locality, easily grown and very prolific. Melons large, nearly round, dark green in color, and very solid and white. Makes superior preserves, sauce and sweet pickles. Keeps well till after Christmas. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.25.

Duke Jones—Briefly, this is supposed to be the largest, handsomest, most prolific, and in other respects the finest Melon grown. Will average nearly fifty pounds each by the field, while some specimens reach nearly one hundred pounds. The greatest of bearers. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

One packet each of the fourteen sorts, 75c.

Muskmelon.

This fine fruit is much more delicious when eaten fresh from the vines than when allowed to stand for days in the heat of the market. Grow them like Cucumbers.

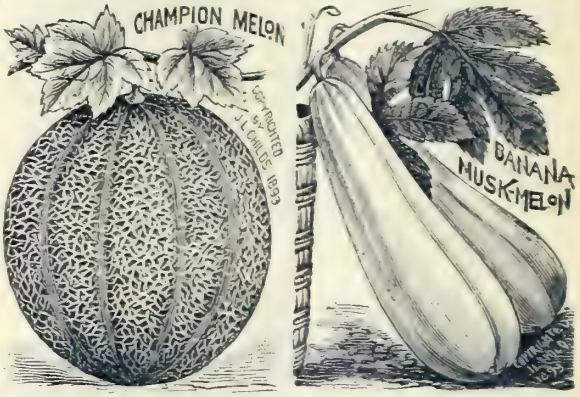
Childs' Great Combination—An appropriate name for this fine melon that combines large size, extra quality, rich perfume, late ripening, and long keeping. Each melon is very large, often from 20 to 30 pounds weight, twice the size of others, thick-meated, very luscious and rich. If carefully picked and put away in a cool, dry place, will keep a month or longer. Average size twice as large as any other. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Emerald Gem—In quality this leads all, and every home garden should include it. Medium sized, round, with salmon flesh, so rich, sweet and juicy that it needs to be eaten with a spoon. No other Muskmelon can compare with it in eating qualities, and it is the sort of all others for the home garden. It is rather soft and perishable for marketing, except near home. Where known in our villages and cities, the Emerald Gem easily brings double the price of any other sort, and for gardeners who deliver the melons to customers, or to the market direct, this is the most profitable where it is known. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

MONTREAL GREEN NUTMEG.

Montreal Green Nutmeg—While not as large as the Great Combination, this is an uncommonly large melon and a great cropper. Flesh green, very firm and delicious, and unlike most varieties, does not lose flavor during wet or cloudy weather. A most popular sort with Northern market gardeners. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 80c.

Banana—A curious sort that is quite popular. Melons very slender, largest at the bottom end, and two or three feet long. A very fragrant variety, and if not picked until thoroughly ripe, of very good quality and flavor. Its flesh and flavor, as well as its shape, remind one of a great luscious Banana. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.



Champion—A very handsome, large, round melon, of delicious flavor and rich quality. A great cropper and a favorite market sort. A fine standard sort which will give great satisfaction in any locality. For shipping it is without doubt the very best of all Muskmelons. It keeps well, comes well, is of fine appearance and high quality. None better for market gardeners. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.25.

Princess—A new and superior variety for either market or home garden. The Melons are nearly round, deeply ribbed, very thick flesh of a rich salmon color, and very sweet and pleasant. Melons medium sized and quite early, and very handsome in appearance. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.00.

PRINCESS.

Bay View—A very profitable sort to grow, as they will yield 3,000 to 4,000 melons to the acre and these large, handsome ones, of sweet, delicious flavor, popular with both buyer and seller. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 85c.

One packet each of above 7 sorts, 35c.

American Onions.

One of the most wholesome foods known, and much relished by most people. Most physicians agree that the free use of Onions as food is a healthful and beneficial stimulant to the system. In cases of colds, coughs and lung troubles they are often better than medicine. Certain it is that they are the best remedy for that new disease "La Grippe," and their use is one of the best preventives from taking it. The Onion is one of those vegetables with which success or failure depends largely upon the quality of seed sown. The best Onion seed is always the cheapest. We are certain that ours is as good as can be found anywhere. Have the ground made very fine, deep and rich for Onions, and keep free from weeds. We also offer a new Onion Set on foregoing page.

Large Red Wethersfield—A favorite red-skinned sort, of large size and handsome appearance. Onions somewhat flattened, flesh purplish-white, high-flavored, and keeps well without rotting. A standard sort, and a great favorite with market gardeners. Pkt.. 5c.; oz , 15c.; lb., $1.20; 3 lbs., $3.00.

Yellow Globe Danvers—Another popular Onion, widely grown for market. Plump, handsome, yellow-skinned bulbs, very uniform, round and perfect. We have an extra fine strain of this. More seed of this Onion is annually sold than any other variety. It does well everywhere, in all soils and in all climates, and is a popular market sort all over the country. Pkt., 5c.: oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00; 3 lbs., $2.75.

Extra Early Red—A quick growing variety, much liked in the North, as it grows well in cold, mucky soils where other sorts fail. Flavor very pleasant. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25; 3 lbs., $3.50.

Southport White Globe—A globular, mild-flavored Onion of fine appearance and superior quality. A great favorite in most localities, and probably the most popular White Globe variety. Keeps well. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

SPECIAL OFFER.

That all may have a chance to test the various kinds of Onions, to ascertain which ones do best in their locality, we will send one packet each of the 9 sorts for only 50c. One ounce of each for $1.00.

Italian Onions.

During the past few years Italian Onions have come into favor with astonishing rapidity. Where a few years ago they were grown only as fancy garden crops, they are now planted extensively for market, and they are, too, a profitable crop. They are of rapid growth and attain a very large size in a wonderfully short time. They are not only large, but very uniform, perfect in shape, and exceedingly handsome in appearance. In quality they are acknowledged on all sides to be the best, having an exceedingly mild, delicate and pleasant flavor. For eating raw they are of course greatly superior to other Onions, owing to the mildness of their flavor. These Onions do best on a rich, light or sandy soil, in a warm, and if possible, sheltered situation, if one desires to see them at their best.

Mammoth Silver King—A superb Onion, that sometimes grows to weigh 3 or 4 pounds. Silver-skinned, white-fleshed, very mild and tender. So mild, sweet and tender that it can be eaten raw like an apple. It has an average diameter of five to seven inches, making a circumference of fifteen to twenty inches. It is probably the most popular Italian Onion known to cultivation. A grand seller in all markets. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Prize Taker—A very large yellow globe Onion, very handsome, fine flavor, and grand sort for market. Immensely productive, producing 700 bushels to the acre, and is claimed by the introducer to be the largest, handsomest, finest flavored yellow globe Onion ever introduced. It is a good keeper. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.75.

Mammoth Pompeii—A most remarkable Onion, on account of its enormous size and fine quality. They often grow to the weight of 4 or 5 lbs., with a very thin and delicate skin, which is of a handsome reddish, or reddish brown color. Notwithstanding its great size it is exceedingly mild and fine grained. An extra fine sort, of easy culture and a good keeper. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.50; 3 lbs., $4.00.

Yellow Giant, or Zittau—An enormous yellow Onion, which cannot be too highly recommended. Notwithstanding its great size it is fine grained and of splendid quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50; 3 lbs., $4.00.

Early Radish, or Barletta—The prettiest button-like little Onion imaginable. Small, flat and silver-skinned, so mild in flavor that they can be eaten raw like a stalk of Celery, and for pickling are far ahead of any other Onion. Leaves almost no odor on the breath, and is liked by all. Three weeks earlier than any other Onion, and grows very readily from seed. Is used largely for eating raw like a Radish, yet when cooked it has the most delicate flavor of any Onion. Introduced by us several years ago as Early Radish, about the time it was introduced into France as the Barletta. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $2.00.

Peas.

This delicious vegetable is so much finer when freshly gathered, than when allowed to shrivel for days in the market, that every family if possible, should grow their own Peas For early crop plant as soon as the ground can possibly be worked in the spring, and plant every two weeks thereafter for succession until summer.

Childs' Universal—A new and most valuable sort, almost the perfection of a Pea. This is no chance variety, but one developed by long years of careful selection and high cultivation. The plant is a branching half dwarf, giving room for an immense crop, yet needing no staking. The plants are covered with pods, well filled with medium sized wrinkled peas, of very rich flavor. Medium early, and is bound to supersede the older main crop varieties. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.

AMERICAN WONDER PEA.

American Wonder—An early wrinkled Pea of exquisite flavor, ready for the table in thirty to forty days after planting Grows only a few inches high. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

McLean's Little Gem—An old standard Tom Thumb variety, still among the very best for a first crop Pea. Very hardy. Pkt , 10c.; pint, 25c ; quart, 40c.

Alaska—The best of all early round varieties, ripening ahead of all others except Childs' Morning Star, and bearing great quantities of fine Peas richly flavored. A fine market Pea, as the whole crop matures at almost one time. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c., quart, 40c.

Champion of England—Still holds its own among all new comers as a Pea of superlatively fine quality. Late, and a heavy cropper. Unsurpassed quality. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 20c.; quart, 35c.

Stratagem—The largest, showiest Pea of all. So distinct even in growth as to attract the attention of every visitor. Luxuriant, large-leaved foliage, with enormous great pods holding from 7 to 9 large, square Peas, dark green in color, and of surpassingly rich flavor. It is not an early variety, but does not turn "mealy" in the South, while still green, like the majority of late Peas. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 55c.

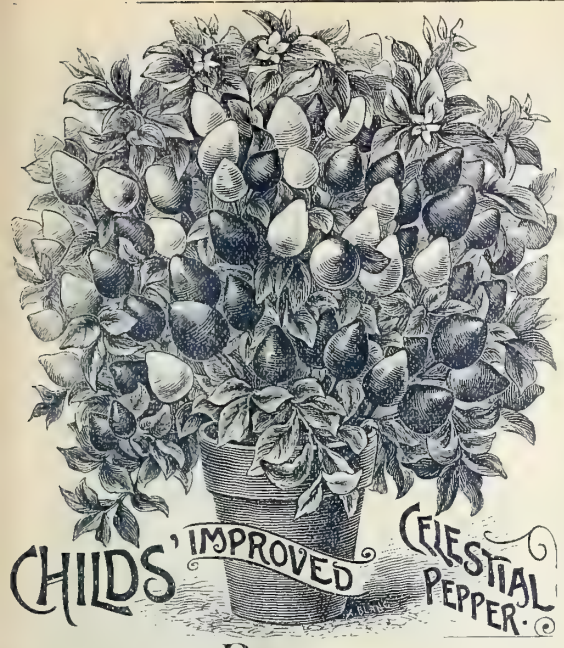
Everbearing—A fine sort for the home garden, as it does not ripen its pods at one crop, but continues in bearing a long time. Fine flavor. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Pride of the Market—A fine, green-seeded Pea, one week earlier than the Stratagem, but resembling it somewhat. Plants grow 18 inches high, bearing long pods of very large, fine-flavored Peas Pkt., 10c ; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Quality—Claimed to be the finest flavored Pea in cultivation. It is at least second to none, and is one of the very best all round medium early wrinkled Peas of large size we ever grew. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 45c.

Peanut,—(*Early Sweet.*)

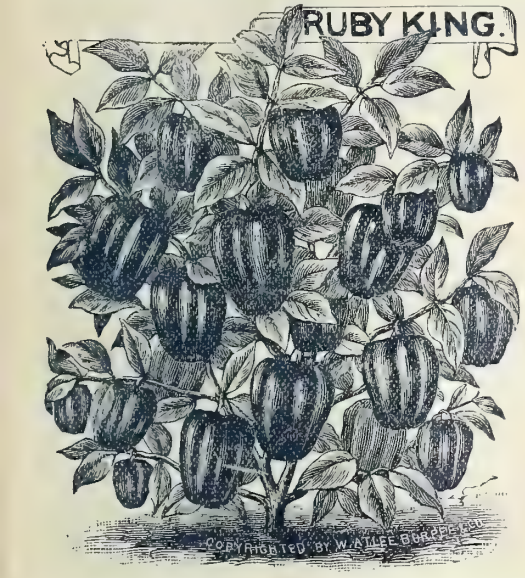
Grow some Peanuts for the children. Not all hard to grow, and stand heat and drouth like a salamander. This sort is so early that it ripens in all the Northern States and in Canada, while its quality is of the very best, the nuts being exceedingly sweet and rich when roasted. Any light, sandy, or loose soil suits them. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 20c.; quart, 30c.



Pepper.

Our ancestors used to hold that none but hot-tempered people could grow Pepper successfully. We know better than that now, and have learned that the heat needs to be in the seed-bed or hot-bed, rather than in the temper, to bring the Pepper above ground. No trouble whatever to grow, when once up. Useful for culinary purposes, ornamental as pot-plants, and quite necessary to the health of all cage birds and poultry. Every garden ought to have a good bed of them.

Childs' Celestial, Improved—A fine sharp-flavored Pepper of transcendent beauty, setting its fruit early and continuing until cut down by frost. A well-grown plant will show peppers in every stage of growth, and in three or four different colors, according to the stage of ripeness—creamy white, pink and vivid scarlet, all on the bush together, a most novel and wonderful sight. Beautiful pot plants, in fact, few pot plants make such an attractive show as does this Pepper when in full bearing. It is perfectly charming, showing such quantities of fruit of so many distinct colors. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $3.00.



Ruby King—The beautiful plants are crowded with large, handsome fruits, of a bright ruby-red color, which grows four to six inches long by three to four inches through. Added to their beautiful color, when ripe, is the fact that they are *remarkably mild and pleasant to the taste;* in this respect unequaled by any other Pepper. We cannot too strongly recommend the Ruby King—so mild and pleasant is their flavor that they can even be sliced and eaten with vinegar like tomatoes or cucumbers. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.

Childs' Kaleidoscope—Beautiful enough to be classed among pot plants, yet with a fine, sharp flavor that makes it valuable in the garden also. From the time the pretty plum-like peppers form until they are fully grown they are of a light yellowish-cream color. As they commence to ripen they change, first to a clear canary color then deepening to orange, then again turning to pink or rose, varying from shade to shade until they become a vivid, shining scarlet. One of these pepper plants, with their dark, green leaves, and hanging full of cream, pink, yellow, rose and red fruits, is exceedingly beautiful. A very easily grown house plant and an attractive one. It is enormously prolific, plants branching freely and weeping to the ground with their load of jewel-like fruit. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.

Childs' Ivory Tusk—A new Pepper of highly ornamental as well as useful qualities. It is a rank grower, the branches spreading out to a considerable length and bearing its long, tusk-like fruits from the base to the tip of every branch. Fruit about four inches long, usually of an ivory-white color but sometimes touched with a slight tinge of green. In ripening they turn to a most vivid scarlet, and present a most glowing and beautiful appearance on the plants, showing fruit of various colors. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

Large Bell—A fine old standard sort, large, bell-shaped. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.

Red Cluster—A dwarf sort, loaded with beautiful glossy scarlet fruits, which are particularly valued for pickling. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $3.50.

Black Nubian—A most novel sort. Long, tapering, sharp-pointed fruit, six inches long, and of a deep, glossy black color until fully ripe, when they change to a dark orange red. Fruit is very fiery, and is superior for flavoring for piccalily, chow-chow, etc. Also a handsome and unique pot plant. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.

Pot or Sweet Herbs.

Indispensable to the cook, useful in the sick room, and many kinds fine for perfuming clothing, etc.

	Pkt.	oz.
Anise—For flavoring	5	10
Balm—Very fragrant leaves; medicinal	5	10
Caraway—Seed extensively used for flavoring	5	10
Coriander—Used for flavoring cakes, etc	5	10
Borage	5	10
Dill—Used to impart a pleasant flavor to pickles	5	20
Hoarhound Used for curing coughs and colds	5	10
Lavender—Fragrant leaves used to scent clothing	5	40
Sage—Most useful of all; needed in every garden	5	20
Sweet Fennel	5	20
Sweet Marjoram—Pot herb	5	15
Tansy—For medicinal use	5	30
Thyme	5	40
Savory, Summer—Fine for flavoring, dressing, etc.	5	15
Roseamary—Aromatic and medicinal. Very fragrant; also a moth preventative	10	50
Wormwood—A splendid plant for poultry	5	25

One packet of the sixteen fine sorts, 50c.

Pumpkin.

Large Cheese—An old standard sort, and a grand variety for large field crop. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Quaker Pie—What would Thanksgiving be without Pumpkin pie? This Pumpkin furnishes fine-grained and rich flavored fruit, just what is wanted for a really good pie. Ripens early and keeps late. A prolific sort, of a light yellow shade, very popular. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.00.

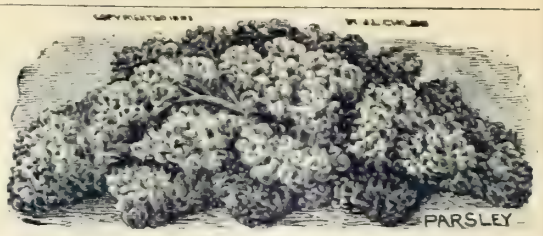
Genuine Mammoth or True Portion—This is the giant Pumpkin that always takes the premium at the county fairs for size. Grows so large two men can scarcely lift one of the fruits, which have been grown to weigh nearly or quite 200 pounds in weight. Flesh bright yellow and of very fair quality. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

Parsnip.

One of the few winter vegetables. The roots are perfectly hardy, and are improved in flavor by the action of frost. Roots can be dug during thaws in winter or very early in spring, when a change of food is most relished. They are perfectly delicious when boiled whole, then sliced thin and fried brown with slices of salt pork.

Improved Guernsey—This is not the coarse Stock Guernsey, but the table variety of that name, the sweetest, finest grained Parsnip grown, and a heavy cropper. Smooth, thick roots, about 12 inches long. Very fine stewed, fried, etc. Pkt., 5c., oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Improved Long Smooth Hollow Crown—An old standard variety, of fine quality, with very long roots. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.



Parsley.

Hardy, and easily grown. Very fine for garnishing, as well as useful in flavoring soups, etc.

Extra Double Curled—Mossy, curled and crisped leaves, very beautiful and of good quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 85c.

Beauty of the Parterre—One of the finest sorts for garnishings or low edgings. Very fine quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

Spinach.

American Savoy—A heavy cropper, of fine quality and very hardy; succulent leaves, curled and crinkled like a Savoy cabbage. Hardiest and most productive sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 40c.

Viroflay—A popular market variety for either spring or fall sowing. Produces great quantities of large, thick, roundish leaves. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 35c.

Strawberry.

We have all heard of the great size and luscious sweetness of the French Strawberries. They are certainly a great way ahead of the American varieties. We have secured seed of the finest, large-fruited kinds, which we have every reason to believe will produce varieties far superior to those in cultivation in this country. Strawberries are easily grown from seed, and it is interesting to note the different shapes, sizes and quality of the seedlings when they begin to fruit.

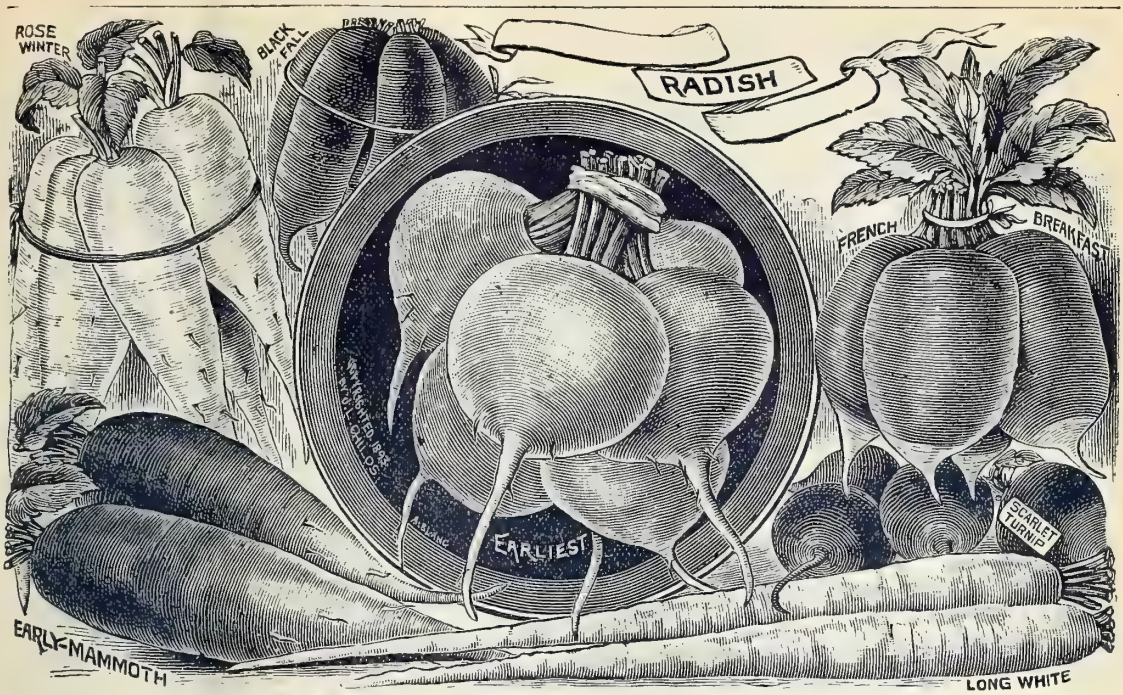
Large-Fruited Varieties—Mixed, Pkt., 10c.

Salsify, or Vegetable Oyster.

One of the most delicious of all root vegetables. So hardy that it can be left in the ground all winter and dug as needed whenever the ground thaws. Stew until tender, then cook exactly like oysters, with pepper, cream and butter. Try a large bed of them this year. They are delightful.

Large White—A quick grower, very fine flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

Sandwich Island Mammoth—Like the above, but twice the size. Cannot be praised too highly. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.40.



Radish.

The warm, pungent flavor of the Radish, and its crisp, brittle texture has always made it a favorite vegetable. Can be sown at intervals so as to keep up a succession from early spring until frost.

Earliest Forcing—Earlier than any other sort, by a week Bright scarlet turnip Radish, very smooth and round, with small tops, allowing it to be grown closely together in hot-bed or forcing bench. Fine also for out of door sowing. Pkt., 10c ; oz.; 15c.; lb., $1.35.

Early Mammoth—Known also as "Shepherd" and "Chartier." This variety sometimes reaches the enormous length of two or three feet and is sometimes eight inches through at the top. A very quick growing variety, crisp, juicy and tender, and mild in flavor. Its color is a fresh pink and white, and for market has no superior among summer Radishes. It remains tender and good for several weeks after it is ready for use and is a splendid all-around Radish. Pkt., 5c ; oz., 10c ; lb., 70c

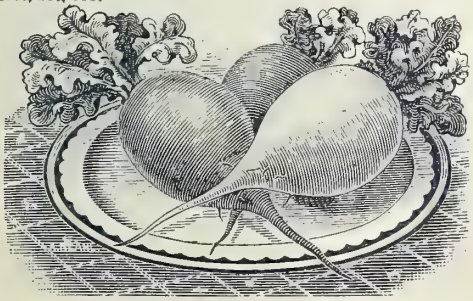
French Breakfast—A very attractive pink and white Radish, olive shaped and with delicately flavored flesh, free from coarseness or any biting quality. A grand little table sort, and very ornamental. Pkt , 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

White Vienna—Finest of all long white Radishes. Skin and flesh pure white, beautiful shape and fine flavor. Pkt. 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

Early Scarlet Turnip—A fine, quick-growing early little Radish, of very fine eating qualities. Pkt.. 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Black Fall, or Spanish—Sow when you do turnips; large size and good keeper; crisp, coarse, pungent flesh, much relished in winter. Pkt.. 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Chinese Rose Winter—A handsome and superior midsummer, fall and winter sort, of a lovely scarlet-rose color and large size. Flesh meaty, crisp and tender. Keep roots in soil in cellar for winter use. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 90c.



Surprise—A fine Radish of a golden russet color, round and smooth, of quick growth and very finely flavored. A beautiful and attractive variety. Per pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

Twelve Months' Radish Mixture—A superb mixture of all kinds of Radishes, early, medium, fall, winter, Chinese, etc. Sow a row of it and it will furnish you delicious Radishes throughout the year. The early and medium ones as they mature and are pulled make room for the larger growth of the fall and winter varieties. This mixture is made up of twenty-five best varieties, and with it it is necessary to make but one sowing for the entire year. Try it once and you will ever after use it. This novel mixture was introduced by us two years ago, and our customers like it so well that last season we sold tons of it. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; ½ lb., 50c.; lb., 80c.

One packet each of above eight sorts, 40c.

Squash.

A delicious table vegetable, and when cooked like pumpkins, makes very superior pies.

Ford Hook—A long, golden yellow Squash, with very dry and fine-grained flesh. This is one of the best winter Squashes, and an extra fine keeper, and the plants are so robust that failure is very rare. Resists the attacks of the Squash borer better than most kinds; matures early and is everywhere a sure cropper. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.25.

Sibley—Another fine winter Squash that keeps well nearly all winter. Shell hard and flinty; pale-green in color. Flesh a brilliant orange-red; very dry and rich in flavor. A fine baking variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 75c.

Metcalf—A Maine variety of extra fine quality, fine grained and dry. No better eating Squash can be found anywhere. A long winter-keeper, good till spring. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.25.

Early Scallop—An early summer sort. Very fine and popular Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Perfect Gem—This sort is good both for summer and winter use. Thin-skined, fine-grained and of very pleasant flavor. Will keep almost any length of time. Pkt. 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 70c.

Mammoth Chili—Specimens of this have be grown to reach 300 pounds in weight. Notwithstanding its enormous size, this Squash is of very fair quality and keeps well. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.

Improved Hubbard (PRIVATE STOCK).—No more popular Squash than the Hubbard has ever been grown. Of late years it has largely lost favor because stocks have become badly mixed with inferior strains. Our stock is quite limited, but it is absolutely pure, and will produce the old-fashioned, deliciously-sweet Squash we all remember. Pkt. 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., $1.75.

Mammoth Whale—A new French variety of enormous size, growing to the length of three feet and attaining a weight of one hundred or more pounds. Fruit thick and an ashy-gray color and tapers toward the end. Flesh solid, beautiful orange-yellow and of excellent quality. It has, also, the advantage of being a long-keeper and a variety which does well in any soil or climate. It is a splendid variety in all respects, especially for exhibiting at fairs. Pkt., 20c.; 3 pkts., 50c.

Giant Summer Crookneck—A new Crookneck, which is a little earlier than the old variety and fully twice as large, being nearly two feet in length. It is of extra fine quality, handsome in appearance and finds a ready sale at good prices in any market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., $1.00.

One packet each of the nine sorts for 75c.

Turnips.

A valuable garden and farm crop. Good Turnips are almost as desirable for table use as Potatoes. Seed may be sown at any time from April 1st to August 1st. For winter use sow last of July or first of August. Turnips may be sown late in ground that has been cropped with Pea or Beans early in the season.

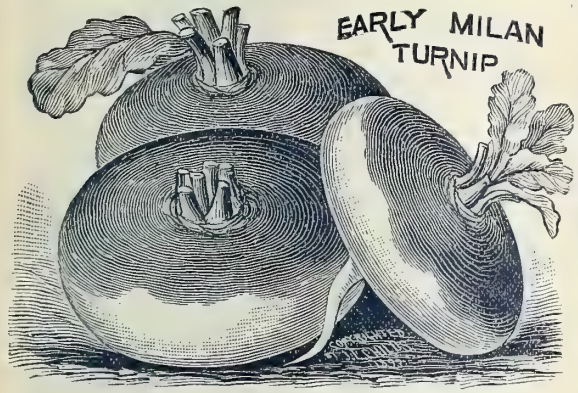
Scarlet Kashmyr—This Turnip has a striking resemblance to a large radish, being as round and uniform in shape, and bright purple scarlet in color. The flesh is as white and crisp as a radish and of the most excellent quality. It matures almost as quickly as the earliest radishes, being several weeks ahead of any other Turnip, and when cooked is of unsurpassed quality. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Early Ivory—A sort of peculiar value, owing to its extreme earliness. It grows almost as quickly as a radish, and to a great extent resembles a large white winter radish. It is very sweet and in every respect of first-class quality. It is sure to become an indispensable variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

Early Flat Dutch—Clear white skin, and juicy, crisp flesh. A fine sort for either market or home garden. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 45c.

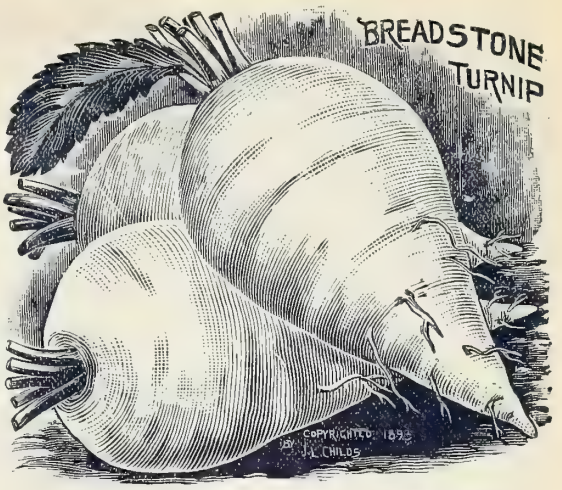
Purple Top White Globe—A large Turnip of fine keeping qualities, and of very fine quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c; lb., 50c.

Large Yellow Globe—A large, round Turnip, with deep yellow flesh and fine, firm grain; very sweet and good. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.



Extra Early Milan—The earliest strap-leaved variety. A smooth, medium-sized variety, with a bright purple top. Fine quality and good keeper. Very delicious. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

White Egg—Beautiful white egg shaped sort of rapid growth. Flesh firm and solid, fine grained, sweet and of very mild flavor. Fine either for early or late variety. Grows to a good size. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.



Ruta-baga or Swede.

These are grown largely for stock feeding as well as for table use. For either purpose they are valuable, and always a profitable crop.

Carter's Elephant—A new Turnip of great size and a wonderful cropper. In shape it is beautiful and perfect, and remarkably uniform, of quick growth and excellent quality. Owing to its very large size it will probably turn out 50 per cent. more bushels to the acre than any other, and is therefore the most profitable variety for large crops, especially for growing for stock feeding. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 80c.

Breadstone—A beautiful white ruta-baga, so remarkably tender that it will cook in fifteen minutes, while the flavor is uncommonly sweet and delicate. It is also a wonderful keeper, not growing pithy and dry like the ordinary Turnips when kept in the cellar over winter. Flesh perfectly white, fine grained, tender and sweet, without the strong taste so common among Ruta-bagas. Finest of all table varieties. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.

Improved American Ruta-baga—Large, smooth and handsome, quick in growth, tender, and fine in quality. A superb standard sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

SPECIAL OFEER.—*One packet each of the ten Turnips here offered for only 50c.*

Tobacco, Persian Muscatelle.

This is the best of all, an exceedingly ornamental plant and so early it can be grown in any State. It is from the garden of the King of Persia. The grower says of it: "It is one of the earliest varieties we have, of remarkable strong and vigorous growth, attaining the height of five to seven feet. The stalks are strong, thickly set with leaves, many of them measuring 3½ to 4½ feet in length with proportionate width. The leaves are unusually small ribbed, very elastic, of finest possible texture, and when properly cured of a light brown color and of mild flavor." Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.; lb., $5.00.

Tomatoes.

An indispensable vegetable. City dwellers with almost no room can train their Tomatoes to their back wall and raise quantities of fine, fresh fruit for their own use. Start early in house or hot-bed; transplant just after a gentle rain, and tie plants to stake or trellis. They stand drought remarkably well. Just before frost pick all the well developed fruits, spread them singly in a light, frost-proof place, and they will continue ripening for two months or more.

Childs' Picture Rock—The grandest Tomato ever introduced. Early, smooth, uniform, prolific, longest bearing, longest keeping and the finest in quality. In all these essential points this Tomato is superior to any other kind. Fruit bright scarlet, of fair size, and so perfect and uniform that they look as though each one was moulded with the same stamp. On account of this perfect shape and great beauty it is unsurpassed for market. Its quality is extra fine, and it commences to ripen its fruit very early and continues in bearing until frost, a most remarkable quality. Its keeping qualities, are, however, the most wonderful. Ripe fruit fresh from the vines have been kept in perfect condition from three to four weeks during warm summer weather. It originated in the Picture Rock region of Wisconsin, hence its name. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40.; lb., $4.00.

Childs' Ruby Queen—Tomato of enormous size and as smooth as an apple. Its color is the deepest and darkest crimson red, very rich and beautiful. It is very solid, with few seeds, and of the very finest quality. It has very thin skin, and its flesh throughout is most tender. It has not a particle of coarseness or toughness. It is just the sort you would choose for your own table above all others. It is much like the Golden Jubilee, except in color, and is perhaps rounder and smoother in shape. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.; oz., 50c.

STATION TREE.

Station Tree—This variety originated by crossing the Franch Tree with Alpha, the result being a very distinct variety, with thick, curly, almost black-green foliage and great numbers of handsome, solid fruit, with the fewest seeds of any known variety. Tomatoes are of very fine quality, and this sort is especially recommended for forcing, as it does extra well in pots, the earliest of all, and being of fine upright growth it requires but little room. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Ponderosa—A Tomato of large size, solid, of fine quality. Claimed to be the largest known sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.

Childs' Golden Jubilee—A fit companion to the Ruby Queen, and, like it, of enormous size, specimens having been grown that weighed over two pounds each. The fruits are round and solid, with very few seeds; flesh meaty and, like all yellow varieties, very sweet and mild in flavor. A beautiful table sort, especially when arranged with the deep rich slices of Ruby Queen on the same dish. The skin of this sort parts readily from the fruit without scalding. An important feature. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.; oz., 50c.

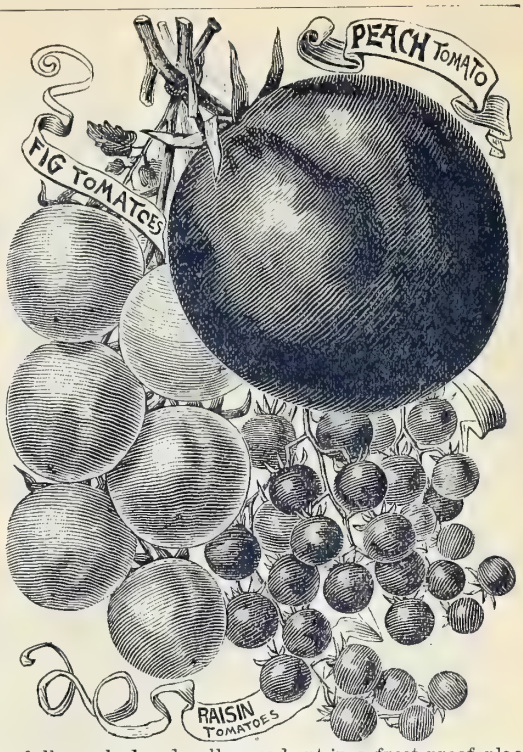
Ignotum—Esteemed as the perfection of a Tomato. Extremely early and a great cropper. Fruits large, smooth, without green spots or cores, and almost entirely free from cracks or rotten spots. Delicious flavor, very meaty and but few seeds. Fine for slicing, cooking or canning. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., $2.00.

Volunteer—Everybody praises the Volunteer. Heavy continuous bearer of smooth, plump, solid fruits of surpassingly fine flavor. Extra fine for either home or market garden. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., $2.25.

German Raisin—A dainty, ornamental sort, bearing great grape-like clusters of brilliant red fruits, very small and smooth. Fine for drying in sugar, or for preserves, or for table decoration. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 40c.

Climbing Tomato—A novel Tomato of a climbing habit, that, if supported, climbs to a considerable height. A very unique ornament to the kitchen doorway or window when hanging full of its many large red fruits. Fruit smooth, solid and of fine flavor. Pkt., 10c.

Golden Fig—Fruit small, beautifully smooth and almost incredibly productive. The flesh is solid, thick-meated, very sweet and pleasant, and are just right for preserves or sweet pickles, or for drying in sugar like figs. Carefully packed and well spread out in a frost-proof place, we have known ripe Tomatoes of this variety to stay sound and plump for four months, enabling one to have fresh Tomatoes nearly all winter. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.



Peach—A distinct, medium sized Tomato, of very peculiar but pleasant flavor. The fruit of this Tomato is about the size and shape of a peach, and is of a soft peachy-red color with a distinct down or bloom that heightens the resemblance. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.

Burbank's Hybrid Plum—An enthusiastic gardener in California has for years been crossing and re-crossing all sorts of the Tomato, both large and small, yellow, white and red, early and late. Every known variety has been used—large, smooth, pear-shaped, plum-shaped, currant, fig, peach, etc. The result is a most interesting mixture of all shapes, colors and sizes, from the very largest to the very smallest. The mixture is not only novel but valuable, and the most interesting and satisfactory to plant for the home garden. Everybody will be delighted with the variety and quality of fruit produced, and in such a variety everyone's taste can be well satisfied. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

One packet each of the 12 sorts offered for 60c.

Oat, Early Siberian.

The King of All Oats.

There is no question but that this is the greatest grain ever introduced, and its value to farmers is inestimable. Nothing like it ever before seen. Straw straight and stiff, and of medium height. Grain bright, plump and heavy. Head 14 to 18 inches long, branching and containing two or three times as many Oats as any other. Head from which our cut was made contained 348 grains. Grows quickly and ripens early, before severe drouths can ruin the crop. Never rusts. Its great quality, however, is its enormous productiveness. With equal chance it will outyield Welcome, White Russian and Probate, 40 to 50 per cent. This fact is proven beyond all question of doubt by the extensive trials which have been made all over the country. Extracts from a few of these reports are here published. Will be the only Oat grown in a few years. Read what is said of it:

"I have just threshed the Early Siberian Oats, and find I have 64 bushels from three-fourths of an acre. I am satisfied that if sown at the rate of two bushels per acre they would have yielded 100 bushels.

JOHN P. SCHWAB, Lenawee Co., Mich."

"I sowed the bushel of Oats on three-fourths acre of ground. I had 66 bushels, or 88 bushels per acre. I neither fertilized nor manured the ground on which they grew.

JAMES LANE, Lenawee Co., Mich.

Price—Fine fresh seed of this great new Oat, 10c. per packet; 30c. per lb.; 3 lbs. for 75c., postpaid. By express or freight, 50c. per peck; $1.25 per bushel; 3 bushels for $3.00.

Potato, Early Harvest.

The Earliest Potato in the World.

This valuable novelty originated in the northern part of Maine, and is easily the earliest Potato in cultivation, but this is but one of its many superior qualities. It is an enormous yielder, and of the most superb quality. Nothing can surpass it in this respect. The tubers are of very large size and beautiful appearance, being nearly white, with eyes only slightly indented. Shape oval, flattened, sometimes long oval. By all odds this is the most valuable Potato for marketing and for home use, and a novelty of unusual value. Every farmer or gardener should plant at least a few for seed.

Price of fine tubers by mail, postpaid, 3 for 25c.; 12 for 80c. By express, $1.00 per peck; $2.00 per bushel; $4.00 per barrel.

Teosinte.

As a forage or fodder plant this is the greatest thing of the age, especially for the South. In appearance it resembles corn, but the leaves are much longer and broader and sweeter. It grows twelve feet high, producing a great number of shoots, which are thickly covered with heavy foliage. 85 stalks have been grown from one seed, and it produces forty tons to the acre. At the rate hay and other stock feed costs, Teosinte will yield $200 worth of fodder or ensilage to the acre. Plant it as you would corn. W. J. Pitts, of Stockton, Ga., writes: "I cut two 2-horse loads of forage from an ounce of seed." It may be cut two or three times during the season. It never suffers in drought or rain. Three pounds of seed is enough for an acre. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., $1.50.

Alfalfa, or Giant Clover.

A most valuable forage plant and one of the most valuable of all fertilizers when turned under green, for the improvement of dry, thin, sandy, gravelly, or worn-out soils. A good stand once secured, it lasts in fine condition from six to a dozen years, giving a fair crop of nutritious hay the first season, and three or four immense crops each season afterwards, easily yielding six to eight tons per acre. In spite of this immense crop, the land steadily improves, as the long roots go straight down fifteen to twenty feet to perpetual moisture, and they possess the power of seizing upon every bit of available plant food, no matter how great the depth, and bringing it to the surface to the support of the many fine surface roots and thick, turfy tops. With such roots a year's drouth has no effect upon a plant's vitality. It is not recommended for wet, boggy land, but for dry. It will grow well where no other grass will survive, and is invaluable for covering barren or waste land. It is the greatest land fertilizer and greatest hay producer known. Cut when in full bloom. Sow fifteen to twenty pounds to the acre. Price, pkt., 10c.; lb., 40c.; 3 lbs.; $1.00, postpaid. By express, 10 lbs., $2.00.

The True Sacaline.

The wonderful new forage plant. Is perfectly hardy, even in Siberia, yet flourishes in the tropics. Requires no plowing before planting. Needs no cultivation, no manuring, no re-planting. Roots penetrate deep into the soil. Once planted, stands forever. Endures severest drought with impunity. Grows in poorest soils. Luxuriates in wet lands. Thrives where no other forage plant will grow. Young shoots and leaves edible like asparagus. Leaves, green or dry, greatly relished by cattle and sheep. More nutritious than Clover or Lucerne. Gives three and four cuttings per year. Produces 90 to 180 tons of green forage per acre. Grows 14 feet high by June. Excellent soil enricher. Plant at any time. Affords shade to cattle in summer. Protection against storms in winter. Floods will not destroy it. Fire will not kill it. Cattle cannot trample it out. It is endorsed by the highest authorities all over the world, and seed has been sold as high as $1,000 per pound.

Seed of the genuine Sacaline, 10c. per pkt.; 30c. per oz.; $4.00 per lb.

Roots—Fine healthy roots, by mail, postpaid, 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00. By express, $6 per 100.

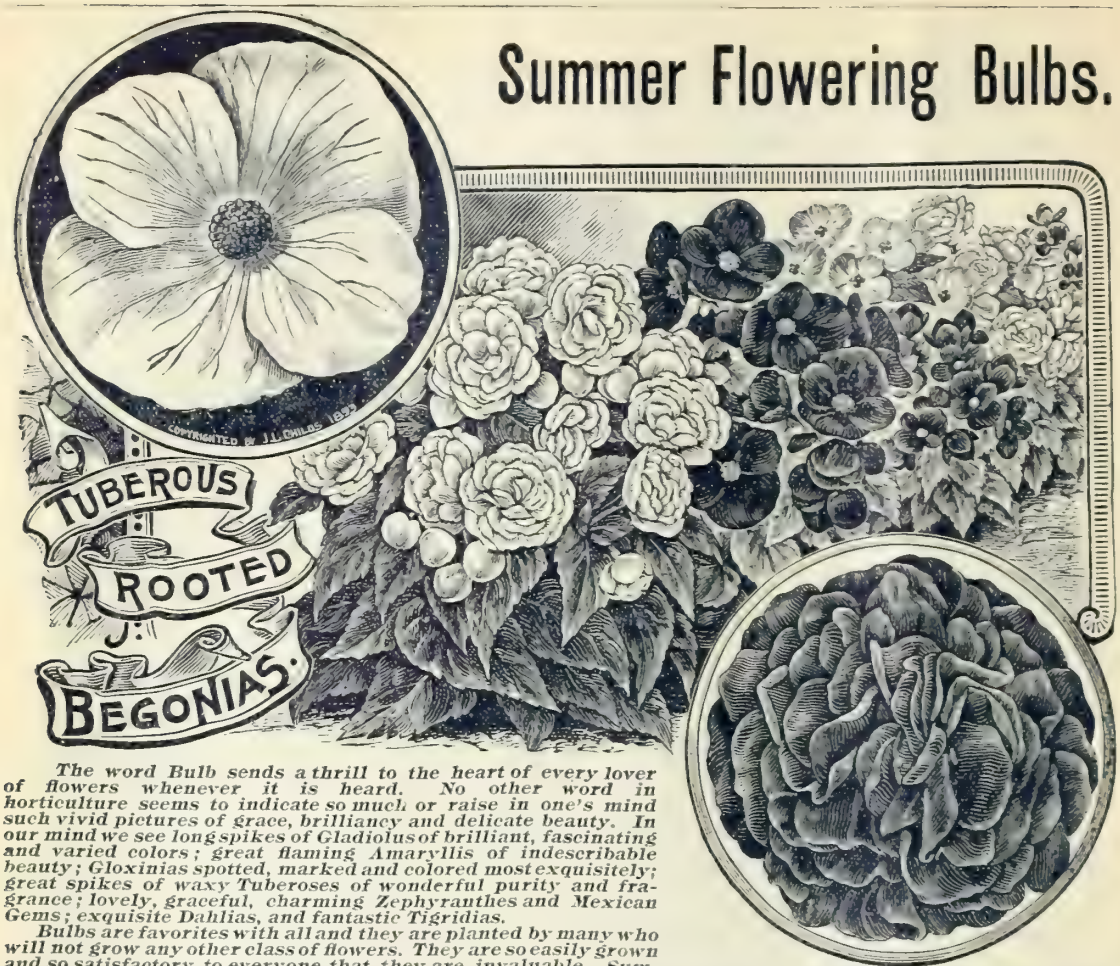
New Field Corn,

GOLDEN SUPERB.

An enormous golden dent variety, so early that it can be grown in the Northern States, and outyields any other sort. It originated in Connecticut. It is the finest Field Corn we have ever seen. Ears very large and handsome, 24 rows of deep kernels. It is enormously prolific, producing over 200 bushels to the acre in very dry seasons, in hills four feet apart each way, and with ordinary cultivation. Its great vigor enables it to stand dry weather remarkably and give a good crop when other sorts fail from drouth. Two or three ears are borne on each stalk, and they run as uniform as though they were all made in the same mold, and they are as perfect and handsome as though they were made of wax. No other variety of corn can approach this, and it is bound, when known, to be more extensively grown than all other kinds put together. Owing to its extreme earliness it may be haavested earlier than any other Dent Corn, even when planted much later. It is the earliest by several weeks of all dent varieties. It is seldom one sees anything bred up to such perfection as is this new corn. Pkt., 10c.; ℔, 35c.; 3 pounds for $1.00, postpaid. By express or freight, peck, $1.00; bushel, $3.00; 2 bushels, $5.00.

James Ferguson, Bloomfield, N. J., Sept. 2d, writes: "I am about to harvest my Golden Superb Corn. I have never seen such good corn in my life. Its yield is immense, better than you claim. There is not a field of corn in the State of New Jersey that can beat it. Some of the stalks have four good full ears with 24 rows of kernels, exceedingly handsome. I shall take it to the State Fair."

Summer Flowering Bulbs.



The word Bulb sends a thrill to the heart of every lover of flowers whenever it is heard. No other word in horticulture seems to indicate so much or raise in one's mind such vivid pictures of grace, brilliancy and delicate beauty. In our mind we see long spikes of Gladiolus of brilliant, fascinating and varied colors; great flaming Amaryllis of indescribable beauty; Gloxinias spotted, marked and colored most exquisitely; great spikes of waxy Tuberoses of wonderful purity and fragrance; lovely, graceful, charming Zephyranthes and Mexican Gems; exquisite Dahlias, and fantastic Tigridias.

Bulbs are favorites with all and they are planted by many who will not grow any other class of flowers. They are so easily grown and so satisfactory to everyone that they are invaluable. Summer-flowering bulbs require no skill and very little attention to grow them to perfection. Plant them in the garden in Spring after severe freezing is passed and they will soon be up and will flourish and bloom all Summer. In Autumn, after early freezing the bulbs should be lifted, dried and stored in a cellar or some other position away from frost, for planting again the following Spring. We are headquarters for Summer Flowering Bulbs, and grow and sell more of them than any other two houses in the world.

Tuberous-Rooted Begonias.

The fashionable plant of the day, and richly does it deserve its honors, for in addition to very handsome foliage it bears a never-ending profusion of the most ravishingly beautiful flowers the whole summer, and then, with the coming of cold weather, very obligingly take a nap until spring, asking no further care through the winter than to be packed in soil away from frost. This trait will be appreciated by the many people who have no spare windows to carry over tender bedding plants yet dislike to be at the expense of buying a new lot each spring. This grand plant is a rival to the Gloxinia as a summer window or conservatory plant, and as strong a rival to the Geranium and Verbena as an outdoor bedding plant. The enormous size and intense brilliancy of the flowers astonish those who have never seen any but the ordinary house Begonia. The bulbs can be started from March to June and will soon be in full bloom. Give partial shade out of doors and protect from severe winds if possible. Our strain of both double and single is a very superior one, many of the flowers measuring 4 to 6 inches across.

Single Mixed Extra fine. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 80c.
Double Mixed—All colors. A glorious strain of finest large flowered double sorts. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.
Single White—Fine pure color; large flower. 15c. each.
Single Yellow—Extra fine. 15c. each.
Single Scarlet—Fine bright shade. 15c. each.
Single Pink—Beautiful soft shade. 15c. each.
Single Dark Crimson—15c. each.

For only 50c. we will send one each of the above five fine sorts.

Double White—Extra fine. 25c.
Double Scarlet—Fine large flower. 25c.
Double Yellow—Very beautiful. 25c.
Double Rose—Fine rose pink. 25c.
One each of the 4 for 75c.

True Fairy Lily.

Beautiful, large, Lily-like blossoms, pure snow-white, of charming beauty and fragrance. They generally commence blooming within a few weeks after planting, and nearly every bulb produces from two to five flowers. For pot culture bulbs can be planted at any time during the winter or spring, and will soon bloom. Five to six may be planted in a five inch pot. In the open ground they are not at all particular as to soil or situation, but are quite sure to thrive anywhere. Pot a few for immediate blooming in the house; they are charming. Large, select bulbs, 5c. each; 6 for 25c.; 12 for 40c.

Amaryllis.

A royal family of bulbs, with large umbels of magnificent lily-like flowers of largest size and richest coloring. Besides the pure white, pale flesh and soft pink shades, are many intense and brilliant shades of crimson, scarlet, orange and vermilion, either self-color or boldly striped with white, green or red. Can be kept in pots the year round, or planted out in open ground during summer. Alternate rest and growth is the secret of big Amaryllis blossoms, and lots of them. While growing give them all the sun and moisture possible; but while at rest give very little water or none at all. The finer varieties increase so slowly as to be always high in price; but if our customers were to compare our prices with the leading European firms, who ask eight, ten, fifteen and twenty dollars per bulb for what we ask from fifty cents to two dollars for, they would think our prices extremely low for such rare and fine varieties. Each.

Belladonna—Elegant blush colored blooms of great fragrance and beauty..... $ 25

Aulica Platipetala—Large, vigorous grower. Bulbs and flowers of enormous size; color, deep blood crimson, shaded black. A grand variety..... 75

Empress of India—A famous European variety which usually sells at $10 each. Color, deep scarlet, banded orange shaded to white. Enormous size.....2 00

Hamilton Hybrids—Extra fine hybrids which bloom at all times of the year. Flowers large and well formed and of two colors—scarlet and white, variegated.....1 00

J. L. Childs—Outside petals grayish white, inside bright pink, striped and suffused with pure white. Flowers very large and produce freely at all times of year. A most exquisitely beautiful flower.....1 50

Johnsonii—A grand old sort, always popular. Flowers large and very beautiful, deep red striped white..... 60

Regina—An extra fine winter bloomer and extensively sold for that purpose. Flowers of good size, beautiful, wide-open shape and a bright orange scarlet. Fine for pots or for summer flowering in the open ground, treated like a Tuberose. One of the most beautiful, free flowering and satisfactory of all Amaryllis. 3 fine flowering bulbs for 50c.; 7 for $1.00..... 20

Formosissima—There is hardly a flower which has such a deep, rich, velvety, crimson color, a color so intensely brilliant as this. It is a free bloomer, and succeeds well either in pots or in the open ground, and blooms very soon after planting. 3 for 30c..... 15

Phadranassa Gloriosa—The flowers are borne in pendulous clusters and an odd mingling of colors—green, orange, scarlet, etc. Always admired..... 20

Mixed Hybrids—Fine large flowering seedlings of beautiful colors. Many are nearly as fine as above named sorts. Will give great satisfaction. 3 for $1.00..... 40

Rare Amaryllis Species.

These are members of the beautiful Amaryllis family, and are most magnificent flowering bulbs, suitable alike for garden or pot culture.

Crinum Ornatum—This is the king of the Amaryllis tribe; it produces a large round bulb, which grows to weigh as much as ten pounds. It can be treated as a pot plant, or grown in the garden as a summer flowering bulb. It is of the easiest culture and sure to succeed with everyone. Its flowers are large, and, like a most beautiful Lily, borne in enormous clusters at the top of the stout scapes. Color soft, delicate blush, with a scarlet bar through the center of each petal, and very sweet scented. 50c. each.

Crinum Moorei—Much like the above, except its flowers are more beautifully formed and of a clear pearly-white color with a beautiful pink stripe through each petal. Grand and beautiful and of exquisite fragrance. $1 each.

Crinum Fimbriatum—(Milk and Wine Lily.) Flowers in large umbels on strong scapes, long and trumpet-shaped. Colors delicate and pretty, white and pink, striped and blended. Fine large flowering bulbs. 20c. each.

Ismene Calathena—The flowers are of very large size, novel form and of a snowy whiteness, and are also exceedingly fragrant. It is really one of the most lovely of all the great Amaryllis tribe, having a peculiar grandeur and beauty which one can appreciate at sight, but cannot describe. 20c. each.

SCARLET SPIDER LILY.

Sternbergia Lutea—The "Yellow Amaryllis." Bright deep golden yellow. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Scarlet Spider Lily—Fine large clusters of deep blood scarlet blossoms late in summer. This lovely Japanese bulb is known as Nirene Japonica, and is quite hardy in most localities. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Special Offer — *One each of above six fine bulbs for $2.00.*

SPOTTED CALLA.

FANCY CALADIUM.

Caladiums.

Grand tropical foliage plants for bedding and for pots.

Esculentum—A grand sub-tropical foliage plant, growing four feet high, and bearing immense shield-shaped leaves of the smoothest, richest green. Extra fine for groups or single specimens upon the lawn, or as borders to tropical beds, or to plant at the margins of ornamental pools, etc. Give plenty of water. 15c. each; $1.50 per dozen.

Fancy—Easy to grow in summer, either in beds or pots. For piazza or summer conservatory decoration they are unrivaled. Their beautifully shaped and glossy foliage is elegantly variegated in the most telling manner. One, perhaps, is regularly dotted with round raised spots of white; another is ribbed and veined with pink or scarlet, or yellow, while still another is splashed and marbled with white or shaded almost black. In fact, the immense leaves are so marked with delicate and vivid colors as to make them as showy as great and peculiar flowers. Our collection is superb. 40c. each; 3 for $1.00; 7 for $2.00.

Spotted Calla.

The leaves of this beautiful Calla are deep green, with numerous white spots, which give the plant a magnificent appearance. The flowers are pure white, with a black center, and very beautiful. They grow freely in any soil, either indoors or out. They flower splendidly in the garden, treated like Gladiolus; that is, planted in spring and dug in autumn. The bulbs we send out are large and solid, and will all flower freely soon after planted. 15 cents each.

New Hardy Spider Lily.

This grand new spider Lily has the advantage of being perfectly hardy, and when left undisturbed a few years forms large imposing clumps that are a mass of clustered heads of pure white, fragrant flowers. The flowers have a peculiar and striking beauty which must be seen to be appreciated. The flowers are borne in large clusters, are of waxy whiteness and unsurpassed fragrance. More beautiful than most of the high-priced Lilies. An extra choice garden flower which we cannot too strongly recommend. Also a fine pot plant. Fine flowering bulbs, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Hyacinthus Candicans.

A species of Hyacinth which blooms during August and September grows three to five feet high, with spikes of pure white flowers two feet in length. The bulbs are large, round and solid, and throw up strong flower stems, which are a gigantic spike of thimble shaped white blossoms. Planted in the spring they bloom in August, September and October, strong bulbs producing two, three and even four flower stems. A bed of a dozen or more bulbs produces a grand effect. A few planted in the center of a bed of Verbenas, Petunias or other flowers, makes a beautiful display. They contrast elegantly with Gladiolus. Planted anywhere, singly or in clumps, they are magnificent. For a cemetery nothing can be more beautiful or appropriate, and nothing thrives better in any situation. Strong bulbs, sure to bloom, 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 75c.

Cinnamon Vine.

A pretty, hardy vine, with edible roots and neat, glossy, cordate foliage. In midsummer it bears clusters of tiny but exceedingly fragrant flowers, with an odor like cinnamon. A very pretty vine to train over a small trellis or around a window. 2 for 5c.; 5 for 10c.; 12 for 20c.

Madeira Vine.

A rapid growing vine, covering a large space in a short time. Fleshy, heart-shaped leaves of a light green, and late summer numerous racemes of feathery flowers of powerful and delicious fragrance. A very beautiful and popular vine, which succeeds admirably. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.

CHILDS' SUPERB GLOXINIAS

Gloxinia.

The grandest of all summer-blooming bulbs for decoration of the window, veranda or conservatory in summer. Everyone is spellbound at their regal beauty. We have seen people pay $2.50 for a small plant with four or five blooms on it, when they could have bought the bulb two months before for 25 cents and potted it themselves. They are no trouble at all to grow, and bloom constantly until autumn, when they should be allowed to die down, and the pots kept dry in some warm place until next spring, when the bulbs can be started into growth again. Our new Gloxinias are great improvements over the older sorts, with large, luxuriant leaves that recurve in such a manner as to conceal the pot they grow in, and erect, large-throated wide-lobed flowers borne above the foliage like a floral crown. These flowers are very large and satin-like and of the most exquisite coloring, soft, clear, or brilliant, sometimes self-colored but more often tinged, spotted or edged with contrasting colors, but always rich and beautiful.

Defiance—Pure scarlet. Very rich. 30c. each.
Crandiflora Alba—Pure white. 30c. each.
Erecta Violeccala—Grand velvety blue. 30c.
Emperor Frederick—Very large flowers; deep scarlet with pure white throat. Very striking. 30c. each.
One each of the 4 sorts for $1.00.

Mixed, all Colors—Our strain of mixed Gloxinias includes the finest and most varied varieties from best European collections, including the beautifully spotted and tigered strains, Erecta, Grandiflora, Hybrida Grassiflora, of elegant self and variegated colors. Fine select bulbs, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00; 12 for $1.50.

Seed—For fine Gloxinia seed see page 76.

Ipomea Mexicana.

IPOMEA MEXICANA.

This beautiful climber is also offered among "Specialties and Novelties," with the Moonflowers. It is also entitled to a place here as it is a summer flowering bulb. It forms a root as large as a Dahlia which is safely wintered in any cellar, and when planted out in the spring it commences a strong growth at once, and is really the most useful of all climbing plants, as it starts so early and grows so rapidly. Its flowers are of a satin violet crimson color, and remain open all day. This is often known as Tuberous-Rooted Moonflower. An elegant vine for conservatories or large bay windows during winter. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Ismene Calathena.

ISMENE

Those who are familiar with the true Ismene cannot say enough in praise of its beauty and purity. The flowers are of very large size, novel form, and of a snowy whiteness, and are also exceedingly fragrant. It is really one of the most lovely of all the great Amaryllis tribe, having a peculiar grandeur and beauty which one can appreciate at sight, but cannot describe. It is one of the most strikingly beautiful of all garden flowers. 20c. each.

Summer-Flowering Oxalis.

No bulbs are so valuable for edging the borders of walks or flower beds as the beautiful flowering Oxalis. When planted three inches apart they produce an unbroken row of elegant foliage and pretty flowers; and as they bloom very quickly after planting they furnish a neat and attractive border the whole season. They are also splendid when planted in a mass, and make a very showy bed. The bulbs, which are the size of peas, or larger, can be planted the first of May, or perhaps earlier, and will be in bloom by the first of June. No flower is easier grown than this, as they are sure to succeed in all soils and situations. They are also charming when grown in pots and make a very attractive mass of fine foliage and gay flowers. They can be planted in this way at any time during the winter or spring, and will commence blooming at once. Every bulb will grow and flower beautifully. Price of fine bulbs, 10c. per dozen; 25 for 15c.; 100 for 40c.; 500 for $1.50; 1,000 for $2.50.

Lasandria—Fine rosy-pink, beautiful cut foliage.
Dieppi—Pure white; very fine.
Shamrock—Lovely clover-like foliage and pink blossoms.
Mixed Sorts—Several colors.
Mammoth Bulbs—We can supply mammoth-sized bulbs of these Oxalis, nearly as large as Gladiolus, and which will produce a wonderful profusion of bloom, at 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

COOPER DRUMMONDI.

TUBEROSE, EXCELSIOR PEARL.

Childs' Superior Tuberoses.

The one flower the rich man must have, and the poor cannot do without. We all love its massive spikes, thick, waxen blooms of rich, creamy whiteness, and its deep, delicious fragrance. How often has this sweet flower, that might have bloomed in paradise, been placed upon the cold forms of those whose spirits have gone to fairer fields. We have made our prices very low that every flower lover may enjoy their peerless beauty. For open ground culture plant about the middle of May. Give them rich soil, in full sun, and keep free from weeds; and they will bloom finely. Plant a good big lot of them for cutting, and if you will pot those which are in bud about the time frost is expected, they will bloom elegantly in pots for a long time; often till Christmas.

Excelsior Pearl—Introduced by us twelve years ago. It is the finest bloomer of all Tuberoses; habit dwarf, flower stalks short, spikes and blossoms enormous in size and very double and fragrant. The finest for pots as well as for the garden. Large, select bulbs, 5c. each; 5 for 20c.; 12 for 40c.; 100 for $3.00.

Tall Double—The old popular variety. Splendid for the open ground. 5c. each; 5 for 20c.; 12 for 40c.

New Variegated—The leaves of this variety are bordered with creamy white; flowers single but very large and of exquisite fragrance. Bulbs continue to grow and bloom year after year. It makes a most magnificent plant. It blooms several weeks earlier than the other sorts, which greatly adds to its value. 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 12 for 75c.

Single Orange Scented—A fine sort, bearing very early in the season large spikes of beautiful, single, orange-like blossoms. Very fragrant. 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 12 for 75c.

One bulb each of above four sorts, 25c.; 3 of each for 60c.

Cooperia Drummondi.

This bulb belongs to the Amaryllis family, and can either be grown in pots or open ground. The beautiful Lily-like flowers are borne on stems 10 to 15 inches high, and are profusely borne. They have a saying in Texas that the Cooperia blooms after every rainstorm. Certainly its flowers spring up as if by magic repeatedly through the season. Color, pure white. Bulbs large and strong. 5c. each; 6 for 25c.

Tigridias.

One of the most showy of all summer bulbs, and blooms from midsummer until frost, growing three feet high, with large, wide-open triangular blooms, four to six inches across. The colors and markings are very brilliant, and peculiarly odd and attractive, and clumps of them in the border have a most gorgeous effect. It is difficult to name a flower of such unique and exquisite beauty as a Tigridia, the superb spotting being so self-like and handsome. They are easily grown, and always more than satisfactory. The following varieties are great improvements in size and color over the older varieties:

Conchiflora—Yellow, bright crimson center variegated.
Pavonia—Bright crimson, center variegated yellow.
Grandiflora Alba—Flowers very large, of pure ivory whiteness, spotted with crimson. Few flowers on our grounds have been so greatly admired.
Lilacea—New; fine large violet flowers, spotted.
Aurea—Golden yellow.
Rosea—Fine rose color. New and extra fine.
Price of above, 10c. each; any 3 for 20c.; the six for 35c.
Mixed Sorts—3 bulbs for 15c.; 6 for 25c.; 12 for 40c

Montbretia, Crocosmaeflora.

One of the brightest and most winsome flowers we know of. Should always be grown in masses or groups, and are then remarkably showy and brilliant. From July to October they are one mass of flowers, spike after spike of the flame-like beauties appearing. Extra fine for cutting, their dash of color lighting up a heavy mass of flowers with grace. One of the most lovable flowers we know of, so graceful and bright and cheery. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Milla Biflora.

The flowers are pure waxy-white, two inches in diameter, star-shaped, and borne usually in pairs on long, slender stems. It is beautiful, especially for cutting, as it last a long time in water. Too much praise cannot be bestowed upon this lovely flower. It pleases everyone and should be grown very largely. This charming flower is exceedingly popular for cutting for florists' use, and the demand for the blossoms is great. The blossoms frequently last two weeks when cut and placed in vases of water. It is a perfect gem. 10c. each; 3 for 20c.

Tritoma.

A plant of tropical luxuriance. A large specimen is very beautiful with its many long, narrow, recurved leaves which are crowned in midsummer and autumn with long spikes of fiery, tubular flowers borne high above the foliage on stiff, ramrod-like stalks. At a little distance the close heads of flaming orange and red flowers are very striking, and have earned the plant its common name of "Red-Hot Poker." We have seen them bloom well into November and December. It always blooms until the ground freezes up. Frost does not kill foliage or bloom.

Corolinianum—New, with narrow graceful foliage, and showing a dozen spikes of bloom at once. Dwarf and compact, bright salmon scarlet.
Pitzere—Of dwarf, compact habit, and large compact brilliant scarlet spikes of bloom.
Grandiflora—Very tall and stately; deep scarlet tipped yellow. *20c. each; the 3 for 50c.; $1.50 per doz.*

Zephyranthus.

The Zephyranthes or Zephy flowers are becoming very popular. Their growth is low and neat; their flowers abundant and pretty, and the plants themselves will stand a good deal of abuse without sulking or dying after the manner of so many plants. They increase rapidly, and make neat borders to other bulb beds, and can also be grown in pots if wished for winter blooming. South of the Ohio are hardy, and need not be lifted in fall. Zephyranthes are gems of beauty. Their large lily-like blossoms being always attractive and exquisitely beautiful.

Rosea—Large, Lily-like flowers of a lovely rose pink. A free bloomer. Exceedingly pretty. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.
Sulphurea—This rare variety grows taller than the others, and has large beautiful flowers of a clear brilliant sulphur yellow. It is very fine indeed. 50c. each.
Atamasco—Exactly like Rosea, except that it is pure white in color. Fine for cutting. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.
Andersoni—A free blooming little beauty, with fine orange-yellow, tulip-shaped flowers. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.
Candida—Rush-leaved. Small white flowers, but very profuse. An extra good sort for edgings. Quite hardy. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.

TRITOMA, COROLINIANUM.

HARDY PERENNIAL PLANTS.

The earth wears a crown of Floral Beauties, and among the brightest, richest and sweetest are the Hardy Perennials. They fill a place in our gardens, and in our hearts, which nothing else can supply. Like Flowering Shrubs, when once planted they are good for a life-time, and we come to regard them as a part not only of our home but our very existence. What would induce us to part with the grand old clumps of Pæonies, Lilies, Iris, etc., which have stood along the path in our front yard so long, and greeted us year after year with such cheery brightness and beauty? They have cheered us through many vicissitudes and dark hours of life. They were loved by dear ones whose voices we hear no more; their blooming calls to our minds dear associations, happy days and happy faces which Time, the great Destroyer, has stolen from us. Yes, let us enrich our little yard, or little lawn, our borders and walks with these dear flowers, which will be our friends and companions for evermore.

The list of Hardy Perennials here presented we have collected together with great care, having in view one special object, viz.: to supply the best varieties and best plants at a smaller cost than they can be had elsewhere in the world. We feel sure that we have succeeded, and that our customers will not let this season pass without adding many of these treasures to their homes. They are all perfectly hardy anywhere, and thrive and bloom year after year with little or no care after once well planted.

PRICE: All Plants on this and the next page, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; or more at 10c. each; for fine, healthy plants, by mail, postpaid. We can send by express large specimen plants, (too large for mailing,) at 30c. each; 3 for 60c.; or more at 20c. each.

New Perennial Phloxes.

Those who remember the thin petaled white and the dull-hued purple Perennial Phlox of old fashioned gardens can scarcely recognize these new Phloxes as the same flower. These new varieties are in bloom from June until frost, and are in huge panicles of close bloom, like a Hydrangea, while the individual florets are twice the size of the old time Phlox, and the shades of color the brightest, richest and clearest. There are no finer or more useful perennials than the Perennial Phloxes, or which will give more complete satisfaction. The varieties we offer are new and fine, and the plants we send out will bloom magnificently the coming summer. They are cheap and we hope that all our customers will plant them.

Athelis—Beautiful rosy-scarlet tinged with salmon. Very bright and showy.

Snow Cloud—White, suffused with purple. Extra fine.

Charlotte Saisson—White, suffused with pink, deepening towards the center to bright vermilion.

Lasollei—Enormous flower and truss, individual flowers being 1½ inches across. Color, light crimson tinged with lilac and shaded lighter towards the center.

Diplomat—Beautiful light lilac with crimson eye. Very large flower and truss.

Eclaire—Deep, bright purplish-crimson. Extra large.

Master Clarence Hulse—Pure white. Flowers and truss of very large size and exceedingly beautiful.

Master Sylvester Hulse—Beautiful lilac-rose.

Miss Hattie Hulse—Pure white with beautiful pink eye.

Asters—Graceful plants, that in autumn are almost hidden beneath a cloud of single Daisy-like blossoms of purple and lavender. Fine for naturalizing, woodland walks, or by rockeries, etc. Perfectly hardy and very attractive.

Chapmani—Large, beautiful lavender.

Nova Angleca—Rich deep purple blue.

Achillea Grandiflora—A most useful and beautiful hardy perennial plant which furnishes a profusion of the choicest double, white flowers all summer. It commences to bloom by the first of July and is a perfect mass of bloom until frost as many as 5,000 flowers having been counted upon the plant at one time. Flowers pure white, perfectly double, and are produced in large sprays, and are unsurpassed for all sorts of cut-flower work, bouquets, etc. It is perfectly hardy anywhere, and so vigorous that it will take care of itself among weeds. For cemetery planting there is nothing finer, for it is sure to live, thrive and bloom profusely year after year. The plants we send out will bloom profusely this summer.

Calliopsis Lanceolata—Each plant is a sheet of golden yellow blossoms, borne high above the foliage on long, wiry stems. This is the true Lanceolata, a far inferior variety sometimes being sold for it.

Lychnis Viscaris—One of the best Herbaceous perennials with tall spikes of handsome crimson flowers, very double and profuse. It is doubly useful because it comes so early in the season, while flowers are yet scarce.

Hop, Golden Cluster—A picturesque vine with its wealth of dark green deeply-cleft leaves and its long festooning sprays of golden yellow Hops with their grateful, homely fragrance and graceful beauty as well as usefulness.

Hemerocallis, Lemon Lily—The clear yellow lily-like flowers are borne on long, stiff stalks, making them superior flowers for large vases or for pulpit bouquets.

Poppy, Perennial—If there is a more gorgeous flower anywhere than the Perennial Poppy we fail to know it. The most indifferent observer stands spell-bound in the presence of its magnificent fire-like scarlet flowers with their silken texture and foil-like heart of innummerable purple-black stamens. Each bloom is as large as a saucer and sits perched like a bird on the end of a swaying, hairy, slender stem, high above the deeply incised and handsome foliage. Many consider it the most showy flower that blooms.

Phlox Subulata—One of the finest of low, turfy-growing plants, fine for carpeting under trees, around rock work, edging beds, etc. Early in spring is very showy with its cloud of bright pink blossoms. We do not understand why this is not more widely grown, for it is perfectly hardy, and once planted will take care of itself.

Anthuricum Liliastrum, Major—A superb plant with spikes of large pure white lily-like blossoms.

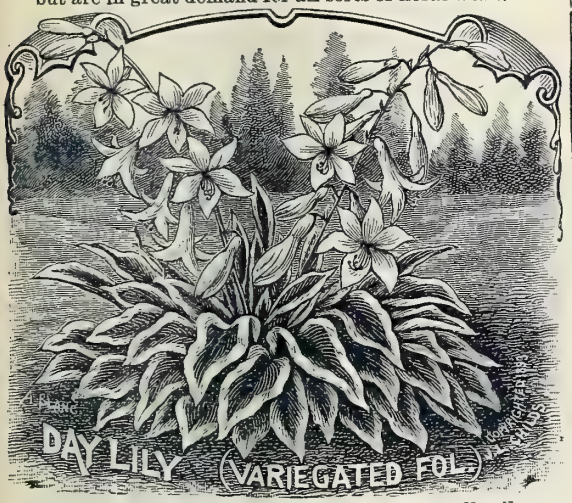
EULALIA.

Calystegia Pubescens—A fine double perennial Morning Glory. Variously called Rose Vine, Double Morning Glory, California Rose, etc. A hardy perennial vine, coming from the roots each spring, and bearing quantities of pale satiny-pink flowers, as full and double as roses. Just the vine for rockeries, banks, poor, hard soil, where nothing else will grow, or a hundred other places, where a rarely handsome trailing or climbing vine is needed that is able to take care of itself. The vines we send out will bloom the first season and continue all summer. Its long vines, wreathed in a profusion of large double Rose-like blossoms are very attractive.

Statice, or Thrift—This is a dainty little plant, forming compact tufts of narrow green foliage, which makes it particularly valuable for edging. The flowers are a clear bright pink, and borne in clusters on tall stems. It blooms all summer long, and is a very pretty, desirable and useful flower, really the best of all hardy plants for edging walks, beds, etc.

Eulalias—Elegant ornamental grasses, growing ten feet high, with beautiful foliage and large feathery plumes. We have three varieties—Zebrina, Japonica and Gracillima. Should be in every garden.

Mountain Fleece—One of the latest bloomers we have, flowering with the Chrysanthemum. Its great sprays of feathery white bloom are not only pretty in the garden, but are in great demand for all sorts of floral work.



Day Lily, Large Blue—Lovely blue flowers on tall spikes.

Variegated Leaved—Leaves as handsome as a flower. A rosette-cluster of almost white leaves, lightly striped with green and yellow. Flowers pretty pale lilac-blue on tall spikes. Fine also for pots. Altogether this is one of the very finest (certainly one of the most attractive and ornamental) of all hardy plants.

Large White—Pure in color as the driven snow, as smooth in texture as though cut from sheeted wax.

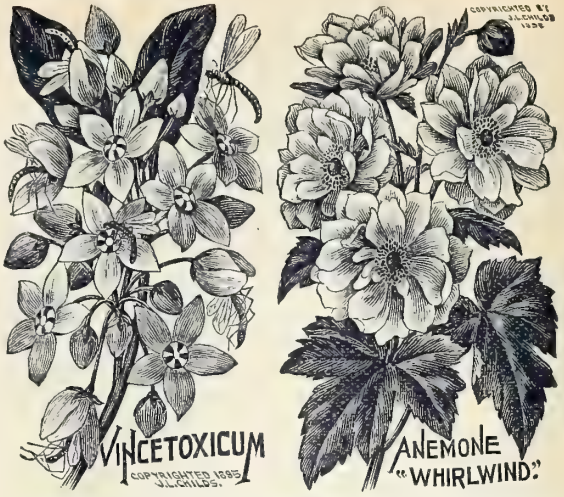
Spirea Filipendula—Grows two feet high, with large feathery plumes of the most charming white blossoms.

Spirea Elegans—Pure white, in large, compact spirals.

Spirea Ulmaria—Fine foliage and elegant flowers.

Platycodon Grandiflora—A lovely free blooming plant. See page 67.

Yucca Filamentosa—The stately clumps of stiff, bayonet-like leaves, bristling out from the center in every direction, are extremely ornamental. Flower stalks are thrown up as high as a man's head, and bear at their summit immense compound panicles of creamy bell-shaped flowers, each floret two inches across.



Mosquito Catcher Plant—This pretty plant, Vincetoxicum comes from Japan. It grows one to two feet high and all summer, bearing a profusion of pretty, white star-like blossoms that secrete a viscid fluid that attracts mosquitoes and sometimes other insects as well. Alas for the poor mosquito! No struggling on his part can ever free him after he has once dipped his beak in the forbidden sweets, though he may tug and plunge and buzz for a day or two after. A single spray of bloom will capture a dozen mosquitoes.

Anemone, Whirlwind—A variety of the beautiful old A. Japonica, but with large, semi-double blossoms of a snow-white color. It possesses a beauty and airy grace which is seen in but few flowers, and its great profusion of bloom at the end of summer and during fall, when pure white flowers are scarce, makes it very valuable—in fact one of the finest novelties of the year. We regret we are unable to give it more space, as all should possess it.

Candytuft, Hardy—A plant of exquisite beauty, being of low, compact, spreading growth and producing its profusion of bloom in May or June when pure white flowers are particularly scarce. Its profusion of bloom is so great that a bed of it looks at a little distance like a mass of fleecy snow just fallen. Few hardy plants will give as much real satisfaction as will this beautiful gem. Lifted late in the fall, it will bloom well in the house during winter. Perfectly hardy and foliage ever green.

Hardy Pinks—Magnificent early-blooming garden flowers, which are always greatly admired, both for their delicate beauty and perfume.

Her Majesty—A compact and healthy grower with beautiful and distinct foliage. Flowers a lovely clear white in color, very double, and produced on long, stiff stems, exhaling an exquisite clove-scented fragrance; rivaling the finest Carnation in size and substance.

Anne Boleyn—Like the above, but a rich pink, with darker center, a most charming combination of color.

Hardy Marguerites—A popular daisy-like flower, largely grown now for cutting and wearing. Graceful and modest, and very profuse, blooming a long time each season.

White (*Pyrethum Uligenosum*)—Large white flowers, with a golden center. A fine late summer and fall flower.

Golden—Large golden yellow flowers in great profusion. A fine contrast to the white variety.

Hibiscus, Childs' Hardy Hybrids—See page 80.

Sweet Mary—This plant was known in olden times only as Sweet Mary, producing an abundance of beautiful leaves all summer, which are indispensable for bouquets and cut flowers. This lovely old plant has almost gone out of cultivation, and we know that many of our customers will thank us for re-introducing it.

HARDY ✦ FLOWERING ✦ SHRUBS.

Every true lover of Horticulture, in its highest sense, finds special delight in the cultivation of Flowering Shrubs. They possess a charm, a grace and a beauty which is supreme; one's soul is drawn toward them in adoration, and it seems to meet, in return, a love which can make its existence known. They stand by our gate, our doorway and our paths, scattered singly or in groups over the lawn in stately hedge or background and as they develop and make the seasons rejoice with their beauty and fragrance, we grow to love and cherish them to some degree, as members of our family. Each one brings a special joy with its season of bloom, and to our everday life, beauty, cheer and happiness. No, we who love nature, beautiful and refined homes, cannot realize complete happiness without Hardy Flowering Shrubs, and our love for them, together with knowledge and experience in cultivating them, has suggested the following varieties, every one of which is a gem. Hardy, robust, free-flowering, and exquisitely beautiful. They are the best, and our customers cannot go astray in selecting any of them. Floral Park would be incomplete if one sort was missing, and as we grow and sell Shrubs by the hundred thousand we can offer first-class, healthy bushes at extremely low rates.

PRICE, all Shrubs on this and next page, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; or more at 10c. each for fine healthy bushes by mail, postpaid. We can send by express, at buyer's expense, large specimen Shrubs (too large to mail) at 30c. each; 3 for 60c.; or more at 20c. each.

Althea—A fine tall growing shrub, that once planted is good for a lifetime. Blooms when but a slip of a plant, but eventually reaches the size of a small tree. Always a symmetrical, upright grower, well clothed with a dark green foliage, and bears every year, without fail, a profusion of large, showy, double flowers that closely resemble Hollyhocks in shape and colors, but often larger in size. They bloom from midsummer until frost, at a time when few others shrubs are in bloom. Fine for cemetery planting, or for grouping upon the lawn. The following are new double varieties of superb beauty. In Europe this is the most popular of all flowering shrubs. No flowering tree or large shrub can approach it in majestic beauty.

Berberis, Purple Leaved—A lovely shrub with dark purple leaves and racemes of orange-color flowers. Blooms early in June and is very attractive.

Berberis, Thunbergi—Flowers followed by bright red berries, which remain on the bushes all winter and are exceedingly ornamental.

Calycanthus Florida The "Sweet Shrub" so long a favorite in gardens. The purplish flowers have an exquisite pine apple fragrance of which one never tires, and a spray of which will perfume a whole room. Can not be omitted from any lawn or garden.

Callicorpa Purpurea—A lovely shrub, loaded all winter with clusters of pretty blue berries, and therefore very ornamental, and makes a fine contrast with the red berries of the Berberis.

Exochordia—A new Japanese shrub of great beauty. Blooms early in spring and is a complete mass of snowy white bloom.

Fern Leaf Tree—A beautiful tree of a low shrubby growth making a superb large foliage shrub. Its leaves are like beautiful fern fronds, so finely laciniated and graceful, often two feet in length by four ches in width. Color very dark green while the stems are dark ebony red. It also bears large bunches of red berries, and in autumn the leaves color very brightly at the touch of frost. It is one of the very finest shrubs in cultivation. It is hardy and robust and succeeds in any situation. As a specimen shrub or small tree for the lawn it is grand.

Deutzia Favorite small shrub, completely covered with flowers when in bloom. Unsurpassed for specimen clumps and for cutting, bouquet making, etc. 3 sorts.

Deutzia Crenata, fl., pl. Four feet high. In June is covered with double white blossoms, like tiny roses, in lovely panicles, exceedingly pretty.

Deutzia Rosea, fl., pl. Exactly like above, but of a lovely rose color. Very fine.

Deutzia Gracilis Grows only two feet high, but is weighted to the ground with its load of white Lily-of-the-Valley-like blossoms. Fine for forcing in winter.

Forsythia (Golden Bell.) Lovely old shrub which blooms exceedingly early.

Fringe, Purple A round-headed large shrub, with pretty foliage and curious misty clusters of feathery bloom that seem to wrap the whole bush in a purple cloud of smoke.

Jasmine Officinalis Blooms all the season, producing a profusion of white star-like blossoms of great fragrance.

DEUTZIA.

Orange, Trifoliate—A new hardy Orange. This is the most hardy of the Orange family, and will stand our northern climate with little or no protection. In the parks of both New York and Philadelphia it is growing luxuriantly, and blooming and fruiting profusely. Think of it; you can have an Orange tree growing, blooming and fruiting on your lawn or yard. It is dwarf, of low, symmetrical growth, with beautiful, trifoliate, glossy green leaves, and abundance of large white blossoms. The fruit is small, bright orange-red in color. The fine appearance of the plant, with its constant habit of blooming, and showy fruit, combine to make a shrub of peculiar beauty.

Magnolia Grandiflora—This is the Queen of the Southern Forest. It attains the size of a large tree, with enormous foliage, which is glossy and wax-like and ever green. In early summer its enormous flowers are produced, creamy white, fully a foot across, and wonderfully fragrant. The tree is hardy as far north as New York and may be seen growing in the parks of that city and Brooklyn. There is no grander object in vegetation than this giant Magnolia.

Hydrangea Paniculata—Generally considered the most valuable and ornamental shrub in existence. Bushy and robust, every branch tipped in midsummer with an immense close panicle of flat, snow-white flowers of gigantic size. The trusses of bloom are ten to twelve inches long and nearly as thick through, and last for two or three months, turning pinkish towards the last. No other shrub makes such a show on the lawn, or is so universally admired. Grand for cemetery use, and always blooms finely the first summer.

Hydrangea Impreterice Eugenia—A fine hardy sort producing great flat cymes of sky-blue, among which are scattered great star-shaped white or pink blooms. Exceedingly showy and a rival to the famous Paniculata.

Rhododendron Maximum—The noblest of all American shrubs. Of imposing size, broad, thick, shining foliage of great beauty all the year, crowned in early summer with large nosegay-like clusters of superbly beautiful pink and white flowers. Perfectly hardy and succeeds everywhere but in limestone regions. There ought to be hundreds of thousands of this grand shrub planted, for there is nothing finer.

Snowball, Double White—The grand old Snowball will never go out of fashion. One of the most ornamental of all shrubs when heaped with its mimic snow. This new variety is a marked improvement on the old Snowball, both in foliage and flower. Its immense balls or rosette-like blooms are grand.

Sweet Pea Shrub—The shrub of shrubs for bouquet makers. When it is in bloom it is really but a big bouquet itself, so full is it of dainty sprays of large, lovely rose-pink blooms to which the graceful pinnate foliage is an admirable background. Very hardy and robust, and commences to bloom when but a foot high. Its glorious flowers are borne in clusters and are the size and shape of the most lovely Sweet Peas, but its color is more beautiful. The amount of bloom which one of these little shrubs will carry is astonishing, and the sight presented is one of remarkable beauty. Blooms profusely in June and July and to some extent all summer.

Spirea, Japanese—These new Spireas bloom from early summer until frost, and are not only very handsome in the flower garden, but are quite indispensable for cutting, furnishing the fine, feathery, fluffy spikes so necessary to bring out the full beauty of a bouquet. Very easy to grow and entirely hardy. Six varieties as follows:

Spirea, Bumalda—So dwarf and compact it can be grown where large shrubs would be out of place. A cloud of lovely rose-pink flowers for months. Very fine.

Spirea, Fortunei Rosea—A medium-sized shrub and a great bloomer. Panicles of delicate pink flowers of wonderful beauty.

Spirea, Fortunei Alba—Like the above, but pure white.

Spirea, Van Houtti—In early spring a weeping fountain of bloom, that cannot be counted for numbers. Solid wreaths of snow-white flowers. Two and three feet long. Grand beyond expression.

Spirea, Thunbergi—A lovely shrub, with pretty, dense, fern-like leaves that in autumn take on the most glowing high colors. The bush is a sheet of white blossoms in early spring, and grows to a good size.

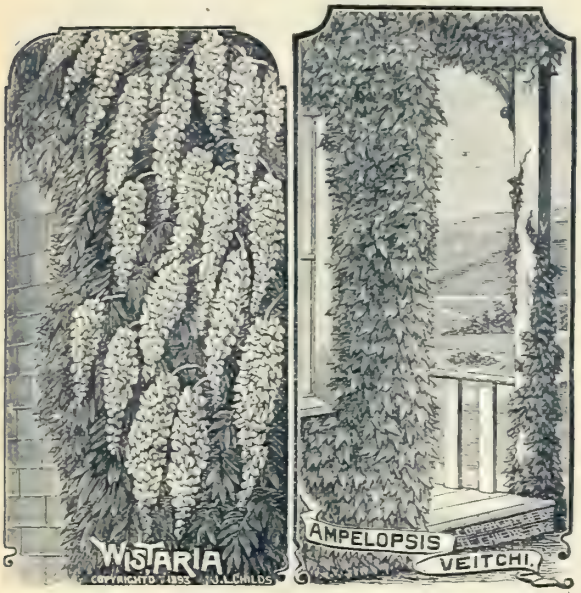
Spirea, Aurea—A grand shrub to group with the Purple-leaved Berberry. Leaves larger than other Spireas; trilobed, and shading from a light golden green to a rich orange-yellow; flowers white. Truly superb.

Syringa, Mock Orange—This much resembles the Orange in bloom, but the flowers are large and more deeply fragrant. When in bloom their delicious orange odor is wafted by the breeze a long way.

Tamarix—A curious shrub, unlike any other. Slender growth, covered with peculiar, fine, feathery foliage. In spring it is a mass of spray-like blossoms of a clear pink.

Weigelia—We have seen canes of this three and four feet long one solid wreath of flowers from tip to end, and fifty more such canes could have been cut from the bush.

Beautiful Hardy Flowering Vines.



Wistaria.

A favorite vine that will grow twenty-five feet in a single season. Just the thing for second-story verandas, or as a tree climber, or to train against a high wall. In early spring is covered with great massive clusters, sometimes two feet long, of lovely pea-shaped flowers.

Alba—A mass of white flowers in spring, the clusters of bloom reaching two feet in length. 75c. each.

Sinensis Magnifica—Fine large clusters of lovely blue flowers, produced in great masses. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Ampelopsis Veitchi.

The fashionable wall climber of the day. Clings tightly by suckers thrown out along the stem, to rock, brick, etc., and is a wall of living green the summer through, turning in autumn to a flaming crimson, when it is fairly gorgeous. It stands the dust and dry air of cities admirably. Nothing else can take its place. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00.

Honeysuckle.

The dear old Honeysuckle is never out of place, at the rich man's mansion or the poor man's cottage. For a cheap, hardy, robust, yet lovely vine, it is the chief standby. Flowers exceedingly beautiful and very fragrant.

Fuchsia Flowered—Large clusters of long, trumpet-shaped flowers, that droop like a Fuchsia, and are of brilliant coral red. Very fine.

Golden Leaved—Marvelously effective. It bears innumerable sprays of the most perfect little leaves that are covered with a net-work of gold and green, often marked with pink also. The gold deepens at the tip of the sprays and there is nothing finer to combine with corsage bouquets, while for trimming floral baskets they are the finest things we know of. A strong grower, with white blossoms. A unique vine.

Halliana—The best white monthly Honeysuckle, with dark green foliage, which keeps fresh and green nearly all winter, and beautiful clusters of the sweetest-scented flowers that open a snowy white and turn a pale yellow. These flowers are produced in profusion from early spring to late fall. A fine vine for a large trellis, or to train at the end of a verandah, or over tall screens.

15c. each; the 3 for 40c.; $1.50 per dozen.

Clematis.

The finest vine in existence for small trellises, or piazza pillars. Used also to cover rock work, mound, stumps, etc., or can be used as a low trailer, pegging its shoots down to the ground. Foliage neat, habit graceful, and for months a solid sheet of bloom, the large starry flowers actually hiding the foliage. The flowers are from 4 to 9 inches across, extremely showy. All of these are perfectly hardy, and are the finest varieties.

Ramona—A strong, rampant grower, fully three times as strong as Jackmanni, often growing ten feet the first season. It is a perpetual bloomer, flowers appearing both in the old and the new wood, giving an abundance of blossoms all through the season. In color a very deep sky-blue, lovely and distinct from any other. In size the flowers surpass anything we have ever seen. Perfectly hardy and very vigorous; new and grand. 80c.

Henryi—This is the finest of all white Clematis, and should find a place in every collection. It is not only a vigorous grower, but is a remarkably free and continuous bloomer, beginning with the earliest and holding on with the latest. Flowers large, of a beautiful creamy white. 60c.

Jackmanni—This is perhaps the best known of the fine perpetual Clematis, and should have credit for the great popularity now attending this family of beautiful climbers. The plant is free in its form of growth, and an abundant and successful bloomer, producing flowers until frozen up. The flowers are large, of an intense violet purple, remarkable for its velvety richness. 50c.

Paniculata—We cannot well say too much in praise of this vine. A clean, thrifty, robust growing vine, of graceful habit, with attractive glossy foliage, and covered in August and September with a sheet of clustered snow white bloom of the most delicious fragrance. No other vine so completely covers itself with flowers. An arbor or portico over which this Clematis is trained is a wall of white for the time being, and what makes it the more striking is that nearly all other vines have ceased blooming at that time. The panicles of bloom are very pretty for cutting, the pretty star-like florets, with their feathery stamens appearing to fine advantage contrasted with the larger and more vivid flowers of the early autumn garden. Perfectly hardy; grows rapidly. Fine vines, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 6 for $1.00.

Coccinea—A graceful festooning vine of graceful appearance. Bears a profusion of shining coral-scarlet buds and flowers all summer. Blossoms bell-shaped, very bright and beautiful. Fine for decorating. 20c.

Crispa—Something like Coccinea, but more broadly bell-shaped, and their color a fine blue tipped with white. Very neat foliage. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

One each of above 6 fine Clematis, $2.00.

WINDOW OR GREENHOUSE PLANTS.

One may have a home grandly constructed, elegantly fitted and furnished in every particular, wanting nothing which money can purchase, yet if it does not contain a window of bright blooming plants it lacks some essential feature, and is, in fact, almost desolate, and its inmates must be regarded as lacking in some degree refinement and taste. On the other hand, the humblest cottage is made a home indeed, by the brightness and fragrance of its well-filled windows of plants, and when we see it we know that good taste, refinement and a whole-souled people dwell within.

Plants are our natural home companions; they are bright, refreshing, cheery; winter may rage without, but inside they make spring perpetual. A refined and generous nature craves plants and flowers. Nothing else can take their place; especially to the care-worn woman, whose elevated taste and love for refinement goes largely unsatisfied, plants and flowers are one of God's richest blessings.

The plant department of our business is most extensive. We have acres of greenhouses and annually produce and send out over two million plants. Our system of packing is such that our plants carry successfully through the mails to nearly all parts of the world. We are careful to send out only well-rooted, healthy stock, and to offer only such varieties as are sure to give satisfaction—the very best of their kinds. The enormous quantities which we grow enable us to offer the finest plants of the choicest varieties at a price so low that they are within the reach of all. These facts have made ours the greatest plant distributing establishment in the world.

Our System of Selling Plants.

BY MAIL, POSTPAID. We send fine, healthy, well-rooted, vigorous Plants by mail, postpaid, at prices quoted. If ordered by express we can usually send larger ones in that way than by mail, at same price.

LARGE SPECIMENS, BY EXPRESS. As many people desire to get Plants as large as possible, and are willing to pay more for large specimens, such as cannot be sent by mail, we offer of most varieties extra large sizes by express, at double prices. All express packages go at buyer's expense, but we add extras to offset express charges.

Our customers can depend upon getting Extra Fine Plants from us either way—by mail or express.

Chrysanthemum, Storm Petrel.

This is a hardy perennial, with finely cut, fern-like foliage, and dwarf trailing growth. It blooms at all times of the year if kept in pots, and out of doors until after hard frosts have killed almost everything else. It is a very profuse bloomer, and the pretty, rosette-like flowers are of pure white, very large, and double. Our plants are strong, and will soon be in bloom. Everyone ought to grow it because of its great hardiness, and its simple, graceful beauty. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Alyssum, Double White.

Fine for pots or bedding—always profusely covered with clusters of double white and very fragrant flowers. Is never out of flower and is a most useful and satisfactory bloomer at all times. Nothing finer for small bouquets than the dainty sweet blossoms of this lovely plant. *15c. each; 3 for 30c.; extra large by express, 30c. each; 3 for 60c.*

Asparagus Tenuissima.

A most lovely foliage plant for window culture. Indispensable for cut-flowers, the lovely feathery foliage adding greatly to the beauty of blossoms. 15c. each.

Lotus Pelyorensis.

This charming plant is so well thought of abroad that a prominent horticultural journal color-plated it. The Garden says of it: "Its cylinder branching habit is most striking, and the silvery foliage even more so. Without its flowers it might almost be described as a Silvery Asparagus.

But the bright coral red flowers, measuring two inches in length are really beautiful, greatly reminding one of the rare and beautiful Clianthus, so difficult to grow, while this gem is of the easiest possible management. Its drooping habit also makes it useful for hanging baskets. It is also quite hardy. *15c each; 3 for 30c.*

Lantana, Fire Fly.

A new Lantana of unusual beauty, being of dwarf, compact growth, and a profuse and perpetual bloomer. Its flowers which appear at all times of the year in great numbers, when they first open are golden yellow, changing the next day to deep, fiery scarlet. This unique habit causes each cluster of flowers to show to most beautiful advantage, as the center flowers, which recently opened, are yellow, and those which surround the center deep scarlet. Valuable alike for pots, for blooming at all times of the year, or for bedding out in the garden during summer. Fine plants, 20c. each.

Yellow Firefly—A seedling of the above with golden yellow blossoms, 20c. each.

Extra large specimens of either color by express, at 40c. each; the two for 75c.

ALYSSUM, DOUBLE WHITE.

Begonia, Vernon.

No other kinds of flowering Begonias can begin to compare with the varieties of B. Vernon for beauty and constant bloom. They are so much superior to others that we have concluded to offer none but these. Plants flower perpetually all the year round, the plant being completely covered with bloom at all times, especially during winter. They make lovely bedding plants in summer, the leaves when exposed to the sun turning to a rich bronze color, adding much to the beauty of the flowers.

Vernon, Crimson—Produces a profusion of dark crimson flowers. Many of our customers regard this as the very finest pot plant for perpetual blooming in existence.

Vernon, White—Splendid large blossoms, pure white.

Vernon, Pink—Lovely blush and pink shades. In other respects exactly like above, and a plant of perpetual beauty.

Vernon, Yellow Leaved—This new variety of Begonia Vernon has pure white blossoms slightly shaded or bordered with exquisite silky pink, while the foliage is of a charming yellowish color. The flowers are borne perpetually both winter and summer, and the exquisite beauty added to the superb color of the leaves makes a plant not only beautiful beyond description but exceptionally odd and striking.

Rubra—One of the best of all Begonias for house culture. They will commence to bloom when but six inches high, and will continue to bloom without ever missing a day, for five or six years at a time

President Carnot—Upright habit, strong grower, large handsome leaves twice the size of Rubra; upper side deep green spotted silver, under side metallic-red. Flowers fine coral-red in large panicles. A grand new sort.

Price, fine plants by mail, 15c. each; 5 or more at 10c. each. Extra large plants by express (too large for mail), 30c. each; 5 or more at 20c. each.

Begonia, Rex.

Enormous triangular leaves of satin-like texture, and metallic lustre, richly belted and zoned with the most striking colors. No finer decorative plant anywhere.

Bertha McGregor—Leaves very large, beautifully lobed. Fine silver white variegated with deep blackish-green.

Robert George—Large disk of silver, bordered with deep green and with green center.

Louise Classon—Leaf dull red underneath, almost black outside, variegated with large pink blotches having a peculiar metallic lustre. Very odd and beautiful.

Grandis—Deep silver-gray, festooned with spotted-green; peculiarly marked and handsome.

Enfant de Nancy—Large, beautifully ribbed; deep green disk thickly spotted. Large silvery zone and spotted green edge. Very fine.

Price, 25c. each; the five for $1.00.

MEXICAN PRIMROSE.

The Mexican Primrose.

Of all the rare plants we ever introduced, this seems to deserve first place as a plant for EVERYBODY, and one which will thrive in rich or poor, wet or dry soil, or in sun or shade, and bloom profusely the year round in pots, or all the spring, summer and fall in the garden. It is strictly a perpetual bloomer, as it is in flower at all times of the year, a good specimen showing most of the time from ten to thirty large saucer-shaped blossoms about three inches across. The superb colors, combined with airy grace and beautiful form, goes to make a flower which is perfection itself. The plant seldom grows over ten inches in height, but inclines to a trailing habit, spreading its branches out over the ground, or drooping over the sides of the pot, holding its large, silky flowers erect, so that their unsurpassed beauty is seen to best advantage. As a plant for hanging pot or basket it is unexcelled. Each blossom keeps perfect many days before fading, and when it drops others are out to take its place, and this succession of beauty is continued from one year's end to another. The plant is a free grower, succeeding in any soil or situation, and commencing to bloom almost as soon as the cuttings are potted. As a window plant it combines great hardiness and ease of culture with unsurpassed beauty and delicate loveliness and profusion of bloom. In the open ground it grows freely and blooms profusely.

Charming—Bright deep pink, veined with scarlet, and with a light center A superb color

Snowflake—Pure snow-white, enormous size, often four inches across.

Apple Blossom—White, tinted blush, and bordered with satin pink. An extremely delicate color.

Hermosa Tinted—A lovely shade of light soft rose.

Price, 15c. each; the 4 for 50c. Extra large specimens, by express, 30c. each; 4 for 80c.

COLLECTION OF CACTI.

Cacti.

The following are the best for general culture.

Cereus Grandiflora—(The true NIGHT-BLOOMING CEREUS.) The most beautiful flower in the world. Its flowers are a foot across, of a pure satiny white, with outside petals faintly tinged with reddish-brown. It is also deliciously fragrant. No description can do justice to its wonderful beauty, or portray the magnificence of its pure cup, filled with thousands of silky stamens. Truly a flower of the gods, and one which seems not of earth, as its beauty is unfolded only in midnight's darkness. Nothing can compare with the soul-stirring beauty of this flower.

C. McDonaldi—(YELLOW NIGHT-BLOOMING CEREUS.) Like above, but with larger blooms, and a fine straw color tint.

C. Rostratus—(RED NIGHT-BLOOMING CEREUS. A slender climber, with magnificent flowers in the style of Cereus Grandiflora, but of a rich wine-red outside, and a lighter shade inside. Grand to contrast with the lighter sorts.

C. Triangularis—The largest of all. Enormous white flower of surpassing loveliness, a foot or more across.

C. Columbrinus—An extra fine sort that in time becomes an imposing specimen, of stately columnar growth several feet in height. It bears very large and handsome pure white flowers in abundance.

Phyllocactus Hookeri—Much like Latifrons, but a more moderate grower. Quite dwarf and compact.

Phyllocactus Jenkensoni—Large silky flowers of the deepest, richest blood-red, as large and deep as a good-sized tea-cup. The flowers are open day and night for about a week, and are borne by the score.

Phyllocactus Latifrons—(QUEEN CACTUS.) It divides the honors with Cereus Grandiflora as to being the most beautiful of all Cacti. The plant is a strong, large, rapid grower, that will succeed in any warm window, and is covered each season with bloom. And such bloom! Words fail to describe it. "As big as a dinner-plate," says one. Smooth, satiny white, delicately flushed.

Phyllocactus Speciosa—Much like above, but flowers are not quite as large and are a soft pink in color.

Epiphyllum Truncatum—(LOBSTER CACTUS.) Branches composed of drooping, joint-like segments, in themselves unlike any other plant, and from November to February covered with a cloud of beautiful flowers.

Rhipsalis—A rare Cactus. When in bloom it is covered with hundreds of pretty white flowers. Three sorts.

Echinopsis—Singular globular heads or stems, largely grown in small pots for window decoration. Lovely pink and white funnel-like flowers, eight to ten inches long.

Price 15c. each; 5 or more at 10c. each. Large plants by express 30c. each; 5 or more 20c. each.

Butterfly Orchid.

Here is an oddity; an air plant that grows without soil or pot, obtaining its sustenance from the air alone. This particular air plant will succeed in any ordinary window, if secured to a piece of board, or bark, with a little moss bunched around the roots where they are wired to their support. Suspend in the window or hang from ceiling, where it can have good light but not strong sunshine. Keep the moss wet and the leaves free from dust, and your plant will grow and bloom. The odd but beautiful flowers are delicate and butterfly-like, borne in graceful sprays. 25c. each.; 3 for 60c. *Large clumps by express 50c. each.*

Caryopteris Mastacanthus.

This new plant is highly spoken of in the foreign horticultural journals, and has been twice color-plated. It is of Chinese origin, and has lately been introduced. It is extremely floriferous, plants in 2½ inch pots blooming profusely and continuing to do so until they have reached a height and width of three feet. The dense flower heads are of a rich lavender blue, rare among flowers. It has been termed Blue Spirea. A superb pot plant, especially for blooming at Thanksgiving, at which time it is most profuse. 20c. each. *Extra large specimens by express 40c. each.*

New Carnations.

During the past few years great strides have been made towards improving the Carnation, the florist's skill in this direction being well shown in the following varieties of recent introduction. Their superiority is shown in many points, but more especially in large size of flowers, vigor of growth, freedom of bloom, exquisite color and fragrance. For pot culture none are so good as the following:

Lizzie Gilbert—Rich, deep scarlet, of great size, and remarkable free grower and bloomer.

Kittie Clover—Fine canary yellow; the finest of all yellow varieties, and very fragrant.

Helen Keller—One of the very largest and most beautifully formed Carnations ever introduced; exceedingly free flowering. A strong, vigorous and healthy grower. Color clear, white ground, delicately and very evenly marked with bright scarlet, giving a very pleasing effect.

Storm King—Fine, pure snow white, on long stems. Flowers of gigantic size, very double and beautifully formed.

Meteor—Deep brilliant crimson scarlet. 2½ to 3 inches on a firm, strong stem 14 to 18 inches long. Plant a free, vigorous grower, clean foliage, and good, free bloomer.

Peach Blow—An exquisite color, being a deep blush pink of exceeding loveliness. Large and free bloomer.

Winter Cheer—Rich dark crimson; very profuse, often showing 20 to 50 flowers at one time.

Little Gem—A fine and constant bloomer, each flower showing a beautiful blending of pink and white colors. These two sorts do not grow over one foot in height, and are therefore admirably adapted for pot culture in windows. They branch freely, making thick, compact plants, which are continually loaded with most beautiful flowers, and bloom perpetually. Just the sorts for windows.

Price of all Carnations, 15c. each; 5 or more at 10c. each Large Specimens by Express, 50c. each; 5 or more at 30c. each.

Rare Fuchsias.

These are very fine varieties, of recent introduction.

Trailing Queen—This exquisite new Fuchsia never grows erect, but always trails down over side of pot, and is the most beautiful of all plants for suspension. Luxuriant without being weedy, procumbent without being sprawling, clothed with handsome foliage, and loaded with hundreds of gracefully drooping flowers, nothing more could be asked for as a basket plant. A well grown plant of this Fuchsia is a weeping fountain of waxen scarlet and violet-purple bells, and it remains in this condition for months at a time. Very robust and easy to grow, the branches reaching a lengh of four and five feet, blooming and growing nearly the whole year. The leaves are dark green, ribbed and rayed with red or crimson, which makes them luminous and handsome. Flowers and buds long and graceful, borne in large clusters at the ends of the vines. When expanded the flowers are very large in size, tube and sepals bright rosy scarlet, while the corolla at opening is a rich violet purple, changing the second day to a fine shade of crimson, the two colors in the same cluster contrasting beautifully. A good specimen will show hundreds of flowers at once.

Storm King—Its graceful, weeping habit, and its superlatively beautiful flowers, more freely borne than those of any other sort, makes it the most valuable of Fuchsias. It is always in bloom, often as many as 200 buds and blossoms on a plant at once. The branches droop most gracefully, and the blossoms are frequently as large as tea cups. The buds, for two weeks before they expand, are balls of glowing scarlet-crimson. When expanded the enormous double flowers are almost pure white, capped by a calyx of glowing scarlet.

Phenomenal—The largest of all Fuchsias, and also very distinct in its rich, dark colorings. Enormous double flowers, sepals scarlet, corolla a bright violet purple.

Little Beauty—A perfect little gem of a Fuchsia, growing but 6 inches high and always full of bloom.

Price, 20c. each; the 4 for 60c. Large specimens by Express (too large for Mail.) 40c. each; the 4 for $1.20.

Geraniums.

The most popular of all pot or bedding plants, combining fine habit, handsome foliage and great quantities of showy flowers. More than this, they are the easiest of all plants to grow, and are never troubled with insects. Fine also, for cutting and wearing, as they do not wilt readily. The varieties that we offer all have very large trusses of the most perfect flowers and of the most distinct colors. We could have made our list four times as large, but we chose rather to offer a few only, but these extra choice ones.

BEST DOUBLE SORTS.

Chopin—Enormous size, semi-double great truss, fiery orange scarlet. Fine bedder.

M. Louis Fages—A Compact grower with very large truss. Flowers large and in color a clear orange scarlet.

Bruant—Extra large floret, immense trusses. Splendid.

Hoff Beach—Very dark. A deep amaranth shaded purple.

Jupiter—A grand flower of the very largest size, and of a glowing dark vermilion. Extra fine.

S. A. Nutt—A massive truss of large double florets; close compact habit: rich dark crimson black.

La Favorite—The best white bedding Geranium, as it does not turn pink in the sun. A fine pot sort, also. A strong bloomer, and with flowers of snowy whiteness.

Mars—Immense trusses of very large flowers, of fiery scarlet rayed with violet, scarlet and touch of orange-yellow.

Reumberta—Not a yellow, that is yet in the future, but the nearest approach to a yellow to be found in the Geranium. The color is a light yellowish orange scarlet; very distinct.

White Swan—Very floriferous. An extra fine pot Geranium, covered with large trusses of snow-white flowers that are very double and perfect. Habit, short, jointed and bushy.

BEST SINGLE SORTS.

John Lewis Childs—This new and unique Geranium is unlike any other variety in cultivation. Was originated and named by Mr. E. G. Hill, and is a seedling from Spotted Gem. Its color is a pale pearly pink, heavily mottled and spotted with crimson. The background is a good light color and the spots bright and brilliant. It is the only good spotted variety yet known to cultivation. It is a free grower.

Violet Queen—Enormous flower and truss of the most perfect form, and a prodigious bloomer. A most brilliant and dazzling violet-crimson, with white rayed center.

Mrs. A. Blanc—Another sort with enormous blooms, perfect and fascinating. Beatutiful orange-pink, marbled white. Exquisite.

Souvenir de Mirande—Each floret has a large creamy-white center; upper petals white edged with soft rose. Lower petals a soft but bright salmon-rose with lighter shadings.

Columbia—A splendid bedder; light, high scarlet of dazzling brightness, two upper petels white shading to scarlet on the edges; extremly showy; light green foliage. Of the general type of the Mirande section, but of distinct and flaming color, and very valuable.

Wonder—The flowers are the most intense dazzling scarlet and are borne in trusses of enormous sizes, measuring from 18 to 20 inches in circumference, with single florets measuring 7 inches in circumference. It has no equal.

F. Becker—Foliage heavily zoned; immense trusses of violet crimson blossoms, rayed with glowing orange-scarlet.

Madonna—Very large trusses of lovely pale pink flowers One of the most pleasing varieties.

Mar. de Layres—A grand pure white sort with enormous flowers and truss. Finest of all single whites.

Venus—An enormous scarlet flower of perfect shape.

DOUBLE IVY GERANIUM.

A very popular class of Geraniums, of robust trailing habit thickly clothed with dark green ivy-pointed leaves of smooth glossy, wax-like texture, worth growing for the beauty of foliage alone. When in bloom they are doubly beautiful, with large trusses of beautiful flowers borne well above the foliage. These flowers are much larger than the ordinary Geranium, and in shape of flower and exquisite markings resemble the superb Lady Washington Geraniums or Pelargoniums. All the Ivy Geraniums are fine low bedders and should be allowed to trail in their own graceful fashion. Very fine for baskets or bracket.

Jeanne d'Arc—Pure white; very double and fine.

La Rosaire—Fine rose. Delicate and charming.

Souv. Chas. Turner—Deep bright pink, approaching scarlet in color; the upper petals feathered maroon.

Price of all Geraniums on this page 15c. each; 5 or more at 10c. each, for fine plants by mail. Extra large plants by Express 30c. each; 5 or more at 20c. each.

Manettia Vine.

A poor vine is little but an eye-sore; but a thrifty Manettia is lovely beyond all question. It can be grown either in the house or garden, and is full of bloom every day in the year. In the house it can be trained all around a window, and it will be a solid wreath of bloom, both summer and winter; in the open ground during summer it will grow ten feet, branching freely and covering a large space of trellis, arbor or wall, showing at all times thousands of its bright blossoms. The flowers are 1½ to 2 inches long, and of the most intense fiery scarlet, shading off to a bright yellow tip. They are also covered with a scarlet moss or hairy substance which adds much to their beauty, and each flower keeps perfect for weeks before falling. No plant is easier to grow, and it commences to bloom at once from the smallest cuttings, and continues to bloom most profusely at all times. There is not a day during its life that it is without flowers if it has any sort of decent care. It being quite unknown and of such striking beauty, either for screens, baskets, vases, windows, trellises, stumps, etc., that it attracts the admiration of every eye.

Price, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; extra large plants by express, 30c. each; 3 for 60c.

Sword Fern.

A grand center plant for large baskets, pots or vases. The long, narrow, pinnate fronds arch gracefully in every direction, growing from 3 to 6 feet long. Perfectly hardy and fine for rock work, or the garden also. No Fern endures the heat and dust of living rooms so well as this, hence its great value for window decoration. A charming ornament. 20c. each; 3 for 50c. *Extra large, by express, 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.*

Lemon Verbena.

An old but always popular plant, prized for its fragrant foliage. Sprays of its leaves are always fine to use with flowers in bouquets. Very easily grown and can be wintered in cellar if need be. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Five Rare Geraniums.

The following five Geraniums are of special value.

Scarlet Flowering Rose (Mrs. Taylor)—A distinct variety of the scented Geranium with a strong rose fragrance, and large, deep scarlet flowers of the Hybrid Perpetual class. Combines free flowering qualities with fragrant foliage. Very useful for summer cut flowers, and as a pot plant for winter cannot be surpassed.

Mrs. Parker—A beautiful double-flowering, ivy-leaved, in which we have the only double-flowering variety in the silver-leaved section. While the foliage is deep green, with a broad border and margin of pure snow-white, the flower is perfectly double, and of a clear bright pink, a combination at once novel and beautiful in the extreme.

Golden Leaved—A Geranium with bright yellowish foliage and large scarlet flowers. A unique plant and highly ornamental at all times.

Tricolor—As beautiful in leaf as most Geraniums are in bloom. The finest of all tri-color Geraniums, much better than the good old Mrs. Pollock. Its large thick leaves are rayed and zoned with scarlet, gold, pink, green, etc., in a superb manner.

Pelargonium, or Lady Washington—The most beautiful of the Geranium tribe. Magnificent flowers of regal richness, imposing size and striking beauty. Their pencilings and blotchings seem as though touched by an artist's brush, they are so fresh and vivid. Easy to grow. Six best sorts, of different colors.

Price, 20c. each, by mail; large specimens by express, 40c. each.

Brilliant Salvias.

For brilliancy the following choice varieties of Salvia Splendens vie with Cannas. They bloom perpetually, and are desirable alike for bedding in the open ground or for growing in pots.

Splendens Compacta—An improvement on the old variety, it being of dwarf, compact growth with plenty of beautiful foliage and long showy spikes of the most brilliant scarlet flowers, borne continually.

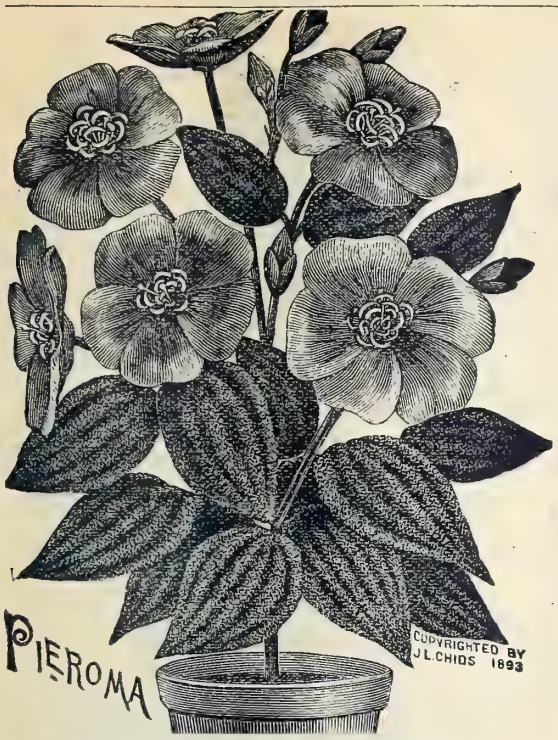
Alba—Like the above, except in color, which is white.

Striata—The bloom of this variety is freely striped and mottled white and scarlet.

Purpurea—Flowers in large spikes and of a rich royal purple color. Fine.

Pitcheri—Fine graceful spikes of blue flowers.

Price, fine plants for blooming at once, 15c. each; the five for 50c. Large specimens by express, 30c. each; five for $1.00.



Pleroma Splendens.

At present this is a rare flower. Not only is it a free grower and bloomer the year round, but it is another addition to the very small list of purple-blue flowers, always an uncommon color, but a striking one, and one that imparts a look of richness to a general collection. Flowers very large—three inches across,—opening flat, the velvety petals showing to great advantage, and reminding one of the regal beauty of Clematis Jackmani. Plants commence to bloom when only a few inches high, and continue all the time. 20c. each; 3 for 50c. *Extra large by express, 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.*

Nepeta Glechoma.

This new Nepeta is hardy, fragrant and pretty, its small round leaves finely marked with white. Very fine for hanging baskets, standing any abuse and looking cheerful under it. One of the prettiest things in the world with which to carpet graves, as it roots wherever it touches the ground and forms an impenetrable net-work of vines through which weeds and grass cannot creep. It will grow in any kind of soil, in sun or shade, hot or cold location, and is ever a mass of green and white refreshing to the eye. Unsurpassed for vases, hanging pots or baskets. *15c. each; 3 for 30c.*

Strobilanthes Dyerianus.

A new house and bedding plant sent out last year in England at $2.00 each, and to which was awarded the gold medal offered by the King of Belgium at the Ghent Exhibition. It forms a compact bush, 18 inches high, with leaves 6 to 9 inches long, 3 or 4 inches wide, and of the most intense metallic purple color, shading into light rose with a light green margin, a combination unapproached by any other plant, the flowers are a lovely violet-blue, very beautiful, of a Gloxinia-like appearance For a bedding plant it has few equals. In an exposed position its foliage colors highly, and is superbly ornamental. Creates a sensation wherever seen. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.50. *Extra large specimens by express, 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.*

Double Petunia.

A grand flower for pots, garden vases or for summer bedding. Their splendid large double flowers are fine in any situation and very freely produced. The two following sorts are the best. *20c. each; the two for 30c.*

Lucy Langstreet—Fine crimson, fringed and variegated with white; large and double and splendidly fimbriated.

Snowdrift—Large double fimbriated flower of purest snowy whiteness, Extra good.

Double Mixed—12 fine colors. *15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for $1.00.*

Single Giant Flowered, Mixed—Finest types of large flowering sorts, mixed; all colors. *15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for $1.00. Extra large specimens by express, double prices.*

Russellia Juncea.

This plant has long, wiry, leafless stems which grow in graceful, drooping masses, flowing like hair. On these bare stems are borne quantities of long, tubular flowers of the most vivid scarlet color, something like a Manettia bloom, but more numerous. It is a novel and beautiful plant, suitable either for beds in summer or for pot culture. In pots it blooms the entire year, especially during the winter and early spring months. The great drooping masses of bloom are like a fountain of coral, scarlet and green. In the South it is perfectly hardy and a superb garden flower. In any climate it is one of the very easiest of all plants to grow, and certainly one of the most brilliant and persistent bloomers. It is a valuable addition to our standard list of best plants. *15c. each; 3 for 30c. Extra large, by express, 30c. each; 3 for 60c.*

Filifera Palm.

One of the best window Palms, needing no petting to succeed. Stands dust and dry air, and lack of sunshine, and is very ornamental with its elegant fan-shaped leaves of a rich, dark, leathery green, picturesquely fringed with long, thread-like filaments along the segments of the leaves. The plant is a compact grower well adapted to pot culture, succeeding in any situation, and with any treatment that will keep a Geranium alive. It will make a grand ornament during winter, and in summer it can adorn a veranda, or be placed in any shady place about the garden or yard, or used for a center in a vase, basket or flower bed—always ornamental anywhere. All Palms of the fan-leaved sorts have, when young, leaves of a long, narrow shape, developing the round, fan-shaped ones as they grow older. *Strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.*

Seed—The seed of this magnificent Palm is sure to germinate and make rapid growing plants. *Per paper, 10c.*

Passifloras.

Fine foliage and graceful climbing habit. Very peculiar corona-like flowers, but very beautiful and unlike any other flower. Easy to grow either in window or open ground.

Pfordti—The best for pot culture as it blooms when but a foot high. Large, handsome, fringed flowers, exhibiting a mingling of white, pink, brown and blue in its coloring, making a flower of the most fascinating beauty. *20c. each.*

Constance Elliott—One of the most graceful of all vines, worth a place in every home for its exquisite foliage. The shining, leathery, five-fingered leaves airily fringing the slender stems, and festoon-supporting pillar or trellis until after the snows of winter begin to fall. Flowers pure white. *20c. each; the 2 for 30c. Extra large plants, by express, 40c. each; 2 for 60c.*

Parrot's Feather.

A lovely mossy plant, with long trailing stems covered with plumy, feathery foliage, of the freshest, loveliest green imaginable. Fine for aquariums, where few plants do well, and makes the water much more healthful for the fish. Grows nicely also in water tubs or ornamental pools, and is much admired when grown in hanging pots or baskets of soil. It grows as well in soil as in water if it is kept well watered. It is one of the most charming trailing and drooping plants, and furnishes an abundance of the most lovely foliage for bouquets. It grows so rapidly that it can be cut with the greatest freedom. *15c. each; 3 for 30c. Extra large specimens, by express, double price.*

VIOLET, SWANLEY WHITE.

Sweet Violets.

The flower of sentiment and song, and ever the symbol of modest worth. Its delicious fragrance alone makes it friends everywhere, but this is only one of many merits. In the inclement weather of early spring and late autumn, the Violet greets us with its pretty, sturdy, fragrant blooms that have no fear of frosts or sleets, but bloom in sweetness to the very verge of winter. If given protection in pit or cold frame or unheated halls or chambers, these Violets may be had in bloom all winter, but they will stand little fire heat.

Swanley White—In pots it grows luxuriantly and is loaded with flowers. In the garden it is hardy with slight protection, and greets us in early spring with a profusion of its large, snowy, sweet-scented blossoms. The growth of the plant is vigorous and healthy, bearing in great numbers very large, perfectly double flowers of pure snowy whiteness and unexcelled fragrance. It is not uncommon for a plant to have as many as fifty large flowers open at once, and they present a beautiful sight.

Lady Hume Campbell—The finest blue Violet. Flowers extra large and sweet, borne in great profusion on long stems. Plant rank and strong grower, producing flowers by the hundred.

Alaska—A grand new sort, well adapted to garden culture, being hardy and robust and producing in spring great masses of enormous double flowers of a deep blue-black color and powerful fragrance. A superb thing, especially for the garden. Probably the very best of all garden sorts, and should be planted by all.

California—A new single Violet of great size, beauty and fragrance. Flower single, borne on long graceful stems and unsurpassed for richness of color and fragrance.

Pedata—This Violet produces flowers by the hundred in early spring, and they are the largest in size of all Violets. Color, clear sky blue, a dainty shade. The leaves are beautifully lanceolated. It is perfectly hardy in any situation.

Price, 15c. each; 5 or more at 10c. each. Extra strong plants, by express, double price.

Sanseveria Zealanica.

A New Decorative Plant of Great Value.

There is scarcely a decorative plant listed that is more striking in foliage and habit than this, and certainly none other that will stand as much downright neglect and hardship as will this. Nothing but frost or a continual drenching with water, has terrors for it. It will grow in a dark hall, a cool bedroom, or stand on the mantel in a heated sitting-room. It will stand gas and dust, and will go for months without a drop of water, yet remain as thrifty as ever. Singularly beautiful as well as easily grown. Erect, rigid, sword-like leaves; in some old specimens reaching a length of from four to six feet. The leaves are thick and fleshy, a dark green color, with clouded bars of white. In May and June it sends up long plumy flower spikes, which in their soft feathery whiteness, remind one of an Agave's flower. The splendid outlines of this plant, together with its distinctive marbling, make it a superb plant for jardinieres, centers of vases, etc. It will also grow splendidly out of doors in summer. Just the plant for sunless windows or halls, where nothing else will grow. It is new and little known to cultivation, but a plant which all will delight to possess. *20c. each; 3 for 50c.*

SOLANUM, WENDLANDI.

Solanum.

Elegant half climbing plants which are perpetually in bloom. Among the very best pot plants, particularly for winter blooming.

Jasminoides Grandiflora—A beautiful half climber, easily kept in bush shape by a little pinching, or can be allowed to climb or trail at will, as it never grows too large for a window. Mostly grown as a house plant, for which its size and long profusion of star-like flowers well adapt it, but it is even more pleasing grown as a summer vine at the foot of a pillar or window. The panicles of pure white bloom are very pretty and are profusely borne both summer and winter. It is never without flowers. *15c. each; 3 for 30c.*

Rantonetti—The flower is of the very deepest and clearest blue, which is brought out more vividly by a yellow center. It is not a climber, but forms a neat little bush two feet high, which is covered with bloom during the entire summer, and almost until Christmas. Sure to become popular as soon as known, being as easy to grow and bloom as a Geranium. *15c. each; 3 for 30c.*

Azureum, or Blue Solanum—That splendid climbing plant Solanum Jasminoides Grandiflora, which we introduced a few years ago, has become a universal favorite. In this new variety we have a splendid companion to it. In growth it is robust and vigorous, climbing to a considerable height in a short time. Its flowers are a fine deep azure blue, and borne in large, dense panicles, and are extremely beautiful, and produced most of the time during the entire year. It is a splendid pot plant; also a splendid plant for the garden during summer. *15c.; 3 for 30c.*

Wendlandi—Exceedingly rare and beautiful, bearing enormous panicles of lavender blue flowers, each as large as a silver dollar. A truly grand plant. *30c. each; 3 for 75c.*

Extra large plants of any of above, by express, at double price.

SANSEVERIA.

Lychnis Plenissima.

A new perpetual blooming plant, suitable either for the garden or for pots. It is particularly fine for winter blooming. Flowers lovely pink, in great profusion. *15c. each; 3 for 30c. Extra large, by express, double price.*

Stapelia Variegata.

Not strictly a Cactus, but resembles one in habit and appearance. Thick, succulent stems and star-shaped, spotted maroon, brown and yellow blossoms, very odd and striking. Flowers throughout the year. The flowers are thick and leathery, resembling the skin of a reptile. It is exceedingly attractive, and the oddest looking flower we know. 10c. each.

Zamia.

We have all heard of the wonderful beauty of the rare Cycus Revoluta, and a good specimen of which is worth $5 to $50. Here we have a close relative of little cost, quick growing, and almost, if not quite, as decorative a plant for windows, hallways, etc. The Zamia grows freely, and will thrive if need be with no sunlight at all. No Palm is more beautiful than this, with its numerous long fronds of vivid green, and of such majestic beauty that all stop in admiration of it. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00. *Extra large, by express, 60c. each.*

Gasteria Maculata.

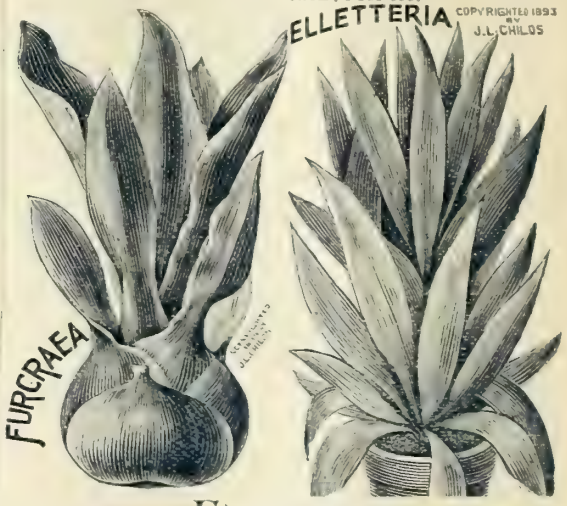
A succulent plant closely allied to the Aloe, and one of much beauty. The flowers are borne in racemes a foot long, and are bright scarlet in color. 40 cents each.

Smilax.

The dainty, yet luxuriant masses of the glossy Smilax are as handsome in the window as any other flower, and as the plant is easy to grow, anyone can possess it. A beautiful climber for the arch of a plant stand, wreathing it in a bower of the loveliest green. The finest foliage we have for bouquets, cut-flower work, etc., as it is so beautiful and spray-like, and lasts for hours without wilting. Flowers small, white and fleecy, and exceedingly profuse and fragrant. 15c. each; 3 for 30c. *Extra large plants, by express, 50c.*

Tradescantia Multicolor.

This is a remarkable variety of Tradescantia, in that its pretty striped leaves show every tint of silver, bronze-green, pinkish crimson, rose and grey in their markings. An extra fine basket plant, as it stands dust, dryness, and extremes of temperature. Indeed, the Wandering Jew will stand more abuse, and look cheerful under it, than any other plant we know of. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.



Furcraea.

A new plant which grows from a bulb, as shown in cut. It has lovely Dracaena-like foliage and is as ornamental as a fine Palm, growing in time to great size and sending up flower stems ten feet high with hundreds of Tuberose-like blossoms. A most beautiful pot plant. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Elletteria Cardamomum.

A plant little known and hardly in cultivation in this country, but one of great beauty and usefulness. The leaves have a highly aromatic fragrance, which is very fine, especially for scenting clothes or working into bouquets or vases of flowers. The seeds are also highly aromatic, and when taken in the mouth have a pleasant taste and add a delicious fragrance to the breath. For this purpose they are often sold at high prices. The foliage of the plant is in itself highly ornamental, to say nothing of its fragrance, but when in bloom it is indeed charming. Flowers white, borne in spikes and closely resembling Orchids. *15c. each; 3 for 30c.*

POT SHRUBBERY.

Hard-wooded Shrubbery Plants, the showiest class of all, from their imposing size and greater profusion of bloom. They have an advantage over other pot plants, also, in that they can be wintered in the cellar without injury, if window room is scarce, as it often is. All the care they need is a little pinching now and then to keep them bushy and compact, an occasional top-dressing of rich compost or rotted manure and water given in abundance to soak the entire ball of their roots through. So treated each plant will be a solid bouquet of bloom—many sorts remaining in bloom the whole year. Grand for conservatory or window, hall or drawing room, or for piazza or yard decoration. We are doing our friends a kindness in urging them to grow plenty of Tub Plants, that will last a life-time and improve in beauty each year.

Brugmansia.

Arborea—Called also Angels' Trumpets and Wedding Bells. One of the grandest hard-wooded plants we know of, and easy to grow. It grows several feet high, and is quite bushy. The foliage is large and tropical, and its blooms—how shall we describe what words cannot picture? Imagine a little bush three feet high with twenty or thirty pendulous blooms open at once; great creamy-white blooms, eleven, twelve or thirteen inches long and eight inches wide, of a texture resembling thick, fluted satin. Imagine these creamy trumpets pouring fragrance forth till the air is heavy with sweetness. Imagine all this, then remember the blossoms last for days in perfection, and that new buds are constantly coming on, and you will see why we value it so highly. It can be wintered unwatered in a cellar or pit. Grand for Easter or Christmas decoration, or for yards. *25c. each; 3 for 60c.*

Double Flowered—Very beautiful and fragrant. 50c.

Sanguinea—Rare scarlet flowered variety. Extra fine. 75c.

Extra large specimens by express (too large to mail), double price.

Chinese Hibiscus.

Where can we find a more striking plant than this, with its glossy leaves and huge flaming flowers of satin-like texture? Summer or winter it is always budding and blooming, and if it becomes too large for the window, can be wintered in the cellar. Pots of Hibiscus are extra fine for piazza or balcony display, and for bedding out in summer.

Cigantea—A graceful single flowered variety, with wide opened flowers eight and ten inches across, and of the most vivid crimson scarlet. Indescribably rich and striking as a flaming torch, sure to please those who like a bright flower and plenty of it.

Cooperi—Crimson flowers and superb foliage marbled in three colors, white, rose and green. One of the best of all.

Minneatus—As gorgeous and fine as the best Pæony, and fully as large. Bush blooms when but a foot high. Blossoms a burning crimson, very double.

Chrysantha—This is said to be a cross between an Abutilon and a Hibiscus; certainly it seems to show characteristics of both. It blooms as perpetually as the Abutilon, but with larger flowers like the Hibiscus, five and six inches in diameter. Flowers flat and saucer-like, of a clear, bright canary yellow, with black eye or center.

Price, 20c. each; the 4 for 60c. Extra large specimens by express, 40c. each; 4 for $1.20.

Bougainvillea Glabra.

The most useful and brilliant flowering plant known. First-class certificate Royal Horticultural Society, April 24, 1894. Of the most easy culture, either in greenhouse or window, producing its magnificent rosy-crimson bracts and yellow blossoms in the smallest pots, under all conditions, in the greatest abundance and amazing profusion from May to December. This is really the most sensational new plant of the year. Sold in England recently at $2.00 each. It will be one of the most satisfactory and popular pot plants in cultivation. It is truly magnificent and one of the easiest to grow. Fine plants for blooming at once, 30c. each; 2 for 50c.

Bridal Rose.—(*Rubus Floribunda.*)

A remarkable plant with leaves resembling a blackberry in shape; its flowers are produced during winter, and are as double as a Pæony and almost as large. Color pure white, and when a plant one or two feet high shows a score or more of these enormous flowers, which they often do, the sight is a most novel and attractive one. New and little known. Will create a sensation anywhere. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.
Extra large, by express, 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.

Azalea Indica.

Elegant pot plants, much used for Easter decorations. Though attaining a good size, commence to bloom when very small. The flowers are large and very beautiful, always much admired, and range from white to deep crimson in color, with all intermediate shades and markings. Easily grown in any window. Our plants are fine ones, of blooming size. 50c. each; 3 for $1.00. *Large specimens, by express, 80c.*

Hydrangea.

Superb and easily managed tub plants, blooming when very small, and growing larger and finer each year. Their immense close panicles of bloom are wonderfully showy, and they last in perfection for months. Largely grown for Easter and early summer decorations, and are perhaps the most beautiful plants for piazzas, or steps.

Ramnius Picta—Grand pinkish-blue flowers in enormous panicle. A splendid sort, and as yet very scarce.

Rosea—Beautiful rose-colored bloom that later turn to blue. A profuse bloomer, bearing very large panicles.

Thos. Hogg—Much like above, but pure white.

Red Branched—This new variety, with heads of bloom as large as a water-pail, is of unusual value, commencing to bear its enormous trusses of deep rose-pink bloom while yet very small and increasing constantly in size and profusion of bloom. The stems and branches are dark purplish red, which with the fresh green leaves, set off the clouds of rosy blooms admirably.

20c. *each; the four for* 75c.; *extra large and fine specimens by express;* 40c. *each; 4 for* $1.50.

Olea Fragrans—(*Fragrant Olive.*)

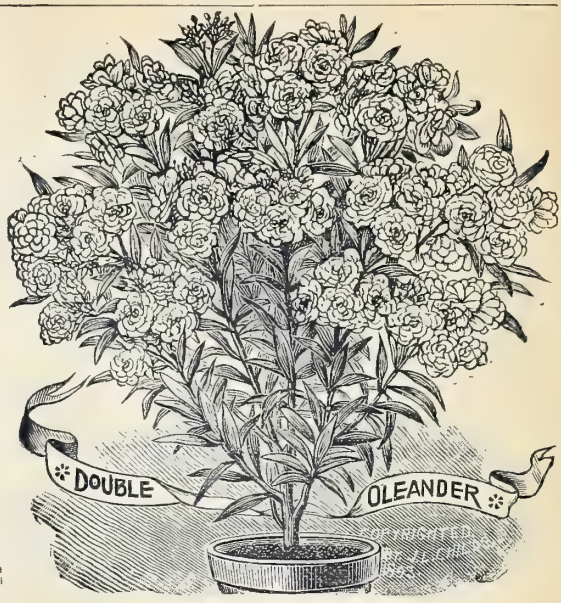
What is it? you may ask. Well in the first place, it is the sweetest flower that blooms; and in the second place, it belongs to the Olive family and is a perpetual bloomer, never without flowers, either summer or winter, though the plant may not be a foot in height. The flowers are small, creamy white and borne in immense clusters. Each individual blossom, though no larger than the head of a shawl-pin, has more sweetness than the largest and most fragrant Lily. Its fragrance is also delicate and charming, really the finest of all flowers, and you cannot pass a plant without noticing it. It succeeds well in any window. 40c. each; 3 for $1.00. *Extra large, by express, 80c. each.*

Abutilon.

Souv. de Bonne—The most beautiful in foliage of all Abutilons. Each leaf has a broad distinct margin of pure white, making a most conspicuous plant.
Snowstorm—Large, pure white; finest of its color.
Grandiflora—Rich golden yellow. Extra fine.
Price, 15c. each; the 3 for 30c. Extra large specimens, by express 30c. each; 3 for 60c.

Jasmine.

The idol of the poets, who style it "The sweetest flower that blows." Graceful, pretty foliage, waxy flowers and powerful fragrance. Easily grown and a gem anywhere.
Grandiflorum—In a warm room bloom all fall, winter and spring steadily. Very beautiful and fragrant. White, star-like flowers. *15c. each.*
Grand Duke—Beautiful glossy foliage, and large, double, creamy-white flowers. Very fine. *25c.*
Gardenia Florida—(CAPE JASMINE.) Large, double flowers, pure white, wax-like and fragrant. *20c.*
Night Scented—One of the sweetest of all perfumes. Graceful star-like blossoms of delicious fragrance. *15c. each.*
Officinalis—Quite hardy, free and constant bloomer. Pure white, and very fragrant. *15c each.*
One plant each of the five sorts for 65c. Extra large and fine plants by express at double prices.



Oleander.

What home is complete without its tub of Oleander? A very tractable plant that can be grown in almost any soil or situation, kept growing all the year, or rested in the cellar. Its dark green willow-like foliage is in itself neat and pleasing; but when in bloom it is beautiful beyond expression, with its many large, delicate, satin-like flowers.
Double Pink—Large double blossoms of fine rosy pink.
Double White—Magnificent large snow-white blossoms.
Double Crimson—Fine, deep crimson-red. Extra.
Yellow—Semi-double, large and very beautiful.
Price, 35c. each; the four for $1.00.

Grevillea Robusta.

A splendid decorative plant, much quicker growing than a Palm, and very effective with its long, drooping, silky foliage, deeply cut like a large growing Fern or a pinnate-leaved Palm. No window complete without it. It is very easy to manage, and can easily be grown from seed if desired. Fine plants, 15c.; 3 for 30c. *Extra large, by express, 30c. each; 3 for 60c.* Seed, 15c. per pkt.

Genista, Shower of Gold.

As a plant for late winter and early spring blooming, (especially for Easter), it is almost without an equal. Flower golden yellow, very fragrant, and borne in large drooping racemes and in such quantity as to almost hide leaf and branch—most truly a "Shower of Gold." It is one of the easiest plants to grow we ever saw, and is absolutely sure to bloom profusely in any window. As a plant for rare beauty, delightful fragrance and ease of culture, it has no superior, and should adorn every home. *20c each; 3 for 50c.; extra fine specimens by express, 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.*

CHOICE AND RARE FRUITS.

The Fruit Garden is an indispensable part of any rural home. It is a delight, a satisfaction, a convenience, a profit, and a source of the most healthful and delicious food supply any family can have. Beginning with the Strawberry in May, the supply is never exhausted until the last winter Apples have gone. Juneberries, Cherries, Raspberries, Wineberries, Currants, Blackberries, Plums, Peaches, Pears, Grapes, etc., follow successively. They save expense, are luscious and convenient, and any place well stocked with fruits always finds a ready sale at a good price; they enhance its value often many times in excess of its cost.

We have for years made a specialty of Choice Fruit Novelties and have introduced nearly all of the leading ones for ten years past. The varieties here offered are all of recent introduction, and each and every one possesses great merit. The trees here offered are young and thrifty and will make a very rapid growth and bear quickly. When fruit trees or shrubs are received before they can be planted they may be safely kept for any length of time by having the roots packed in boxes of moist soil and stored in a cool cellar or shed. It is important to order fruit trees early that they may be planted out before the foliage starts.

At prices named we send strong, robust, young stock by mail, postpaid, but by express we can send much larger trees, especially Peaches, Apples, Plums, etc. Strawberries, Raspberries, Dewberries, Grapes, etc., are of course as well sent by mail as by express, as far as size is concerned. Our fruit stock is all vigorous and healthy, and whether you have it sent by mail or express it will be sure to please you by its rapid and vigorous growth and early bearing. We have no San Jose Scale—See Certificate of last year.

Choice Strawberries.

Of all the fruits known to cultivation the Strawberry is conceded to be the most luscious, and is a universal favorite; yet it is not grown by one-half the people who might grow it just as well as not. It is but a few hours' work to plant a Strawberry bed and care for it during the year, and no work can possibly yield a better return. Strawberries bought in the market are not to be compared with the luscious ruby beauties, fresh and ripe from the vines. The following are the very best varieties in cultivation—the cream of all—including extra early, medium and late sorts:

Shuckless—It is not often that we have a more important novelty to introduce than this. It is a thorough departure from the general run of Strawberries, differing from all others in one most important respect, and in this point lies its great value, and we are sure our readers will appreciate it when we say that in picking the fruit the berry parts from the calyx something like the Raspberry, thus avoiding the irksome task of hulling them before they can be placed upon the table. The hull remains upon the stem. This one point should, and we believe will, make this the most popular berry for home gardens that has yet been introduced. Aside from this advantage, the berry is of large size, beautiful color, of rich, sweet flavor and a hardy, robust grower, producing one of the largest crops of all berries. Everyone who loves and cultivates Strawberries, must, of course, have this variety, if only a few plants to grow a stock from. 50c. per doz.; $2.00 per 100; $15 per 1,000.

Meeks Early—This is a most important new berry, inasmuch as it is the EARLIEST and BEST of all early varieties. It is a good week ahead of any other in ripening, and it is also of large size, fine quality and very productive. No other early variety can compare with it, and it must find its way to every collection. 50c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100; $15.00 per 1,000.

Mineola—For a general all-around Strawberry, we believe this to be the finest variety in cultivation. It originated on Long Island and has been cultivated here for ten or a dozen years by a few growers, and was first introduced into general cultivation by us last year. The fruit is of very large size and exceedingly sweet and luscious in quality, in this respect surpassing any other variety. It is a most vigorous grower, its foliage being of great size and wonderfully healthy and luxuriant. The fruit is borne on tall stems which hold them well up from the sand and dirt below. The berries are perfect in shape, beautiful in color, enormous in size and exceedingly prolific, succeeding well on all soils. Either as a market, home or exhibition berry it is par excellence. Could we grow but one variety this would be our choice. Fine plants, 50c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100; $15.00 per 1,000.

Ocean City—A new berry of wonderful value. Its great points of value are, enormous size, surpassing almost any other known sort, and enormously productive. Unlike all large berries, which are usually shy bearers, this one is very prolific. In beauty it has no equal, and always brings a larger price in market than any other. It is a hardy and vigorous grower, supposed to be a cross between Wilson and Sharpless. From what we know of it we believe it is a variety of pronounced value. Fine plants, 60c. per dozen, $2.00 per 100; $16.00 per 1,000.

SPECIAL OFFER.

Six plants each of the above four finest Strawberries for $1.00; 12 plants each for $1.50; 100 plants each for $6.00. This is the finest collection of Strawberries it is possible to have.

The Idaho Pear.

The king of Pears. Fruit grows to an enormous size, often weighing a pound and a half, and entirely coreless and seedless. It is yellowish in color outside, while the flesh is nearly snow-white and of the very richest quality found among Pears. Its wonderful size, luscious quality, phenomenal bearing qualities, even when trees are very young, and the fact that the fruit is entirely coreless, brought it at once into great prominence. It is hardy and vigorous, flourishing alike in hot and cold climates. Price, 50c. each; 3 for $1.25.

New Dwarf Juneberry.

This superb new berry is a native of Alaska, and therefore of the most iron-clad hardiness. It is a quick grower, forming dense clumps of bushes which seldom grow higher than a man's head, though they bloom and bear heavily when only one or two feet in height. The berries are the size of ordinary cherries, being green in an unripe state, changing to bright scarlet, and, when fully ripe, to a dark purple blue; and as the three colors hang in clusters upon a bush they present a most charming and appetizing sight. After the berry is fully ripe it will keep on the bush in perfect condition for two or three weeks without decaying or dropping. It is exceedingly sweet and has a peculiarly rich and luscious flavor. We do not hesitate to pronounce it the most charming fruit to eat raw from the hand we have ever tasted. Aside from its value as a fruit it is one of the most showy flowering shrubs, as it blooms very early in the spring—before leaves start—and every stem and branch of the bush is a solid wreath of delicate feathery whiteness, so numerous are the flowers. No garden is complete without this magnificent fruit. Price, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.

Grapes.

Everyone who has a bare fence, wall or outbuilding, or a few feet of vacant ground, can plant a few grape vines and reap an annual harvest of luscious fruit. Owners of country places, or even of city lots, need never be without an abundant supply of Grapes in season. There is no fruit that yields a more prompt or generous return. Everybody can grow it, and everybody should have it in abundance. The following sorts are the very cream of the hundreds of varieties which are before the public; they are mostly varieties of recent introduction and of improved quality.

Early Ohio—This is the earliest of all Grapes, originated at Euclid, Ohio, in 1882, being a chance seedling of the Concord. The third year from seed it set thirty clusters of fruit which were allowed to grow; they ripened August 20th. It has borne large crops every year since, ripening in 1889 the 15th of August, and always as early as the 20th of that month; fully one week to ten days earlier than Moore's Early. It is fully three times as productive as Moore's Early, better in quality, and never drops from the stem, a fact that shippers will fully appreciate. On account of its earliness the fruit is readily sold in the market at 10 to 15 cents per pound at wholesale. Testimonials received from all parts of the country corroborate the foregoing in every detail. The introduction of this variety makes it possible to grow Grapes in any locality where heretofore it has been impossible to ripen them on account of frost. *30c. each; 4 for $1.00.*

Moore's Diamond—This is probably the finest of all white Grapes. The vine is hardy and healthy in growth, vigorous and perfectly free from mildew. Berries large, of a beautiful light straw color—almost white—and of a most delicious quality, having few seeds, and a pulp which melts in one's mouth like snow. *20c. each; $2.00 per dozen.*

Moyer—An extra early Grape, about the size and color of the old Delaware, but with a larger bunch. It is, perhaps, sweeter and more delicious than any other Grape grown, in this respect being superior to the Delaware. It has beautiful red berries, which are very handsome, and the vine is a hardy, robust grower, vigorous and productive. Originated in Canada. *20c. each; $2.00 per dozen.*

Niagara—No Grape has been so largely advertised as this, and none so extensively planted during the first few years and, we may say, none has proved more profitable. It is the leading white Grape of the day. Berries very large, borne in large bunches. Flavor sweet and delicious, there being but very few varieties which can equal it. It is exceedingly productive and as hardy and robust in any locality as the Concord. *15c. each; $1.25 per dozen.*

Golden Pocklington—A very sweet and delicious Grape of a beautiful amber color. Hardy, vigorous and productive. A magnificent sort. *15c. each; $1.50 per dozen.*

One each of above 5 grand Grapes for 75c.

Best Standard Raspberries.

Cuthbert—A very large red variety of superb quality. It is always of large size and an enormous yielder, and grows freely in any situation. It will adapt itself to any wild or out-of-the-way place and make a splendid wild berry if one has not the time to give it culture.

Golden Queen—This is a sport from the Cuthbert, and is exactly like that excellent berry in all respects, except that its color, when ripe, is a fine, rich golden yellow. It is of high quality, pulpy and juicy.

Thompson's Early Prolific—The earlest Raspberry yet introduced, and a great cropper. Berries of fair size, bright crimson color, and of extra fine quality. Perfectly hardy and a sure cropper.

Kansas—The King of all Black Cap Berries. Medium early, large size, great productiveness, excellent quality and perfect hardiness make it superior to any other black variety.

Muskingum—It is a cap variety, though purplish red in color, while its juice is a rich sparkling ruby. It is valuable for the enormous amount of fruit which the bushes produce. Fruit is very large in size and superior in quality to any of the black caps.

Price, 60c. per dozen; $2.00 per 100.

New Raspberries.

Great American—This giant berry is the "Eureka" of Luther Burbank, we having purchased the stock three years ago and grown it here at Floral Park. It is the largest Raspberry in cultivation, being a real giant by the side of our common garden varieties like Cuthbert, Gregg, Souhegan, etc. The above cut shows the comparative size. Color bright red, firm, very productive, of a luscious, piquant, acid flavor so much admired. Twice as large as Shaffer's Colossal, which is one of the largest berries in cultivation. Bushes compact in growth, free from prickles, robust, and of iron-clad hardiness. This is one of the berry novelties of our time, and must become the standard in every garden. Strong bushes, 20c. each; 3 for 50c. 7 for $1.00.

Souchet White—A large berry of light amber, almost white, color. A luxuriant grower, free bearer, and hardy. Berries extra large, and of a peculiar rich, sugary flavor. One of the highest flavored of all berries. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.

Childs' Allsummer—An everbearer, commencing to ripen its large berries in July and continues until killed by autum frost. The plants are strong and vigorous, growing three to five feet in height, standing erect without stakes or other support. Foliage very large and rank, dark green above and silvery white underneath. In hardiness nothing can surpass it, as it has never been injured in the severest climate. It is immensely prolific, the berries being of great size, and dark red in color; quality extra fine. Mrs. Stowe, of Montana, says: "It has fruited for five years and borne a full crop each year, no matter how hot the weather. Our plot is 45 feet in lenth by 15 feet in width, besides a single row 150 feet long. From this plot and the row we picked last year fully 11 bushels of berries. Is not that a good yield? For five years the yield has been very uniform. In 1889 the yield during July was 244 boxes; August, 175 boxes; September, 27 boxes, an abundance of green fruit being killed by frost September 25th. In many sections where the season is long enough its October crop is the largest." To see it at its very best it must have a moist soil or plenty of water. 20c. each; 3 for 50c. 7 for $1.00.

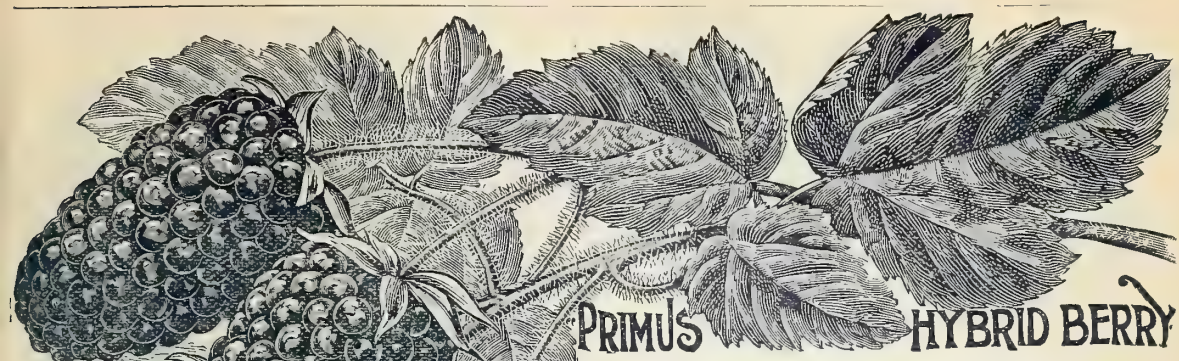
SPECIAL OFFER—*One plant each of above three New Raspberries for 50c.; 3 of each for $1.30; 12 of each for $4.00.*

COLUMBIAN RASPBERRY.

Columbian—A Raspberry of gigantic size, the canes growing to the height of 10 to 16 feet, strong and woody. Very hardy and vigorous. Fruit large, dark red, with small seeds. A Cap variety, never suckers and is increased by tips. This is really a wonderful berry, and one which should have a place in all gardens, it being so entirely distinct from all others. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Mohler—A new berry of great merit. Claimed to be the finest Black Cap in cultivation. It is a strong grower, very hardy and early to ripen. Fruit of largest size and best flavor, and produced in enormous quantity, almost double that of any other Black Cap. It is certainly a most valuable acquisition. 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

Cault—A new Black Cap which produces its fruit in enormous clusters, and is a true everbearer, fruiting freely from June until killed by October frosts. Plants set this spring will fruit next fall and give a good crop. Fruit of gigantic size and fine quality. 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.



Hybrid Berry, Primus.

A hybrid between a Blackberry and a Raspberry. We have owned the entire stock for four years and it has been tested thoroughly. It is one of Mr. Burbank's greatest productions, and he says of it: "This was my first success with Blackberry-Raspberry Hybrids, and it has been fully tested for several seasons. It is one of the most productive berries known, and is larger and more regular in shape than any other berry. Its flavor is unique; nothing like it has before appeared. All pronounce it superior when cooked, and eaten raw it is claimed to be the best berry known."

This berry is really enormous in size of fruit and vigo of growth. Its flavor is like that of a Raspberry and Blackberry combined; fruit long and handsome, of a Mulberry-black color. Its season of fruiting is earlier than either the Raspberry or Blackberry, following closely upon the Strawberry, often before Standard Blackberries commence to bloom. Bushes incline to a trailing habit, and are best trained upon wires, like Grapevines. It is somewhat of a perpetual bearer, showing more or less fruit all summer. In a greenhouse it is a great thing, for it will fruit splendidly all winter, and prove exceedingly profitable. It is as hardy as an Oak in any climate and a sure cropper.

One of the most remarkable of all new fruits seen during this generation. Of sterling worth in every particular.

Price, 60c. each; 2 for $1.00; 6 for $2.50.

Hybrid Berry, Logan.

While not as large and meritorious as the above, this is a very unique and valuable fruit. It is a hybrid between a Blackberry and a red Raspberry. It is very large in size and of a deep red color. In flavor it is rich, mingling both the taste of the Raspberry and Blackberry. Hardy, robust, a great bearer; ripening its fruit with the earliest Raspberry. It makes a splendid pot plant and fruits well in winter when grown that way. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 7 for $1.25.

Muskberry.

A new berry belonging to the Raspberry family; a rank grower, reaching 5 to 8 feet in height, and branching. Foliage large and luxuriant, berries dark ruby red, and of a peculiar cone-like appearance. Exceedingly sweet, but possessing a sort of musky flavor, which is greatly liked by some but not by others. As a fancy berry it is unique and should have a place in all good collections of fruit. As hardy as an Oak and will thrive in any waste or out of the way place. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.50.

Gooseberries.

This is a berry which in England holds first place, and is more extensively grown than any other small fruit, excepting only the Strawberry. It is not grown in this country to the extent it ought to be, mainly owing, we judge, to the poor quality of the varieties in general cultivation. The following varieties will be found to be greatly superior to others.

Industry—A Gooseberry of strong vigorous growth, freedom from mildew or other diseases, and large, handsome fruit of delicious quality. The berries are dark cherry in color, and when ripe are rich and sugary.

Keepsake—Very large, light green and of the richest quality. Considered to be the finest new Gooseberry in many years. Strong grower and an immense cropper, like Industry, but one or two weeks earlier. Blooms late after frosts, and is therefore a sure cropper.

Lancashire Red—In size the berries are the largest known, almost rivaling plums. Color, a rich plum-red, while the quality is exceedingly sweet and delicious. The plant is entirely free from mildew, being an exceedingly strong and healthy grower and a prodigious bearer.

Price, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 12 for $2.00. One each of the three sorts for 60c.; 3 each for $1.50.

Childs' Golden Japanese Mayberry.

This is the most remarkable of all fruit novelties ever introduced, and, like the Wineberry, belongs to the Raspberry family. It grows in sturdy tree form, six to eight feet high and ripens its fruit before Strawberries, a month before the earliest Raspberries, and before some of them have hardly wakened from their winter's rest. The bushes are distinct from other berries, with spreading, tree-like tops, large, bell-shaped, pendulous blossoms, which hang along the entire length of the branches in pairs or triplets. These large, handsome blossoms are followed by great glossy berries which are of a golden-yellow color, and in quality sweet and luscious beyond description. There is nothing like it in cultivation, and its extreme earliness makes it at once the most important of all small fruits The bushes are entirely hardy in any location. We purchased this berry when there were only about a dozen plants of it, and it cost a small fortune. The stock is yet limited. We have every reason to believe that the common wild Salmon Berry of Oregon is being sold as the Japanese Mayberry. As the introducer, we have the genuine stock, and we hope people will not be deceived by that which is bogus. Childs' Japanese Golden Mayberry is not a wild or native berry of any country, but is a Hybrid raised by Luther Burbank, from Japanese species.

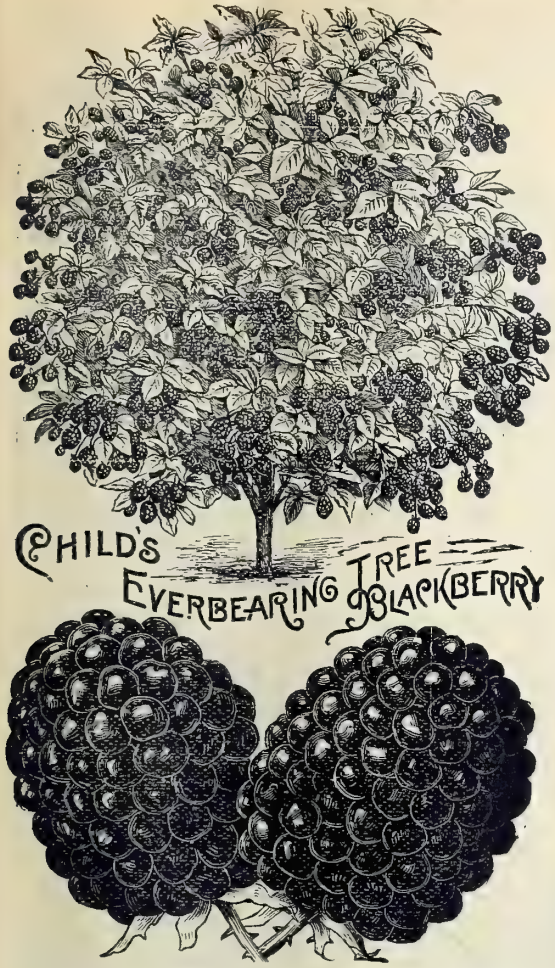
PRICE Strong two-year-old plants, from open ground, 15c. each, 4 for 50c.; 10 for $1.00; 25 for $2.00.

The Tree Strawberry,

Or Strawberry-Raspberry.

This is one of the most unique and at the same time the most beautiful berry of any kind that has yet appeared before the public. It comes to us from Japan, and is said to be a hybrid between the Strawberry and Raspberry. Whether this is correct or not we are unable to say, but that the plant is entirely hardy without protection and a prolific yielder, we can bear testimony from personal observation. In habit of growth the plant is distinct from both the fruits named. The root is perennial, throwing up numerous strong branching shoots, which are covered with its large, beautiful berries the whole summer, from early in July until freezing weather, rendering it a perpetual bearer. The canes or shoots die to the earth in winter, new ones being thrown up the following spring, which begin blooming and setting fruit at once. The foliage is light green in color, bright, clean, cheerful and pleasing, and exempt from attacks of all insects and diseases. The berries are globular, slightly oblong in form, ranging in size from 1¼ to 1½ inches long and one to 1¼ inches in diameter, sweet and melting and of such transcendent beauty as to cause everyone to shout with amazement upon first seeing a plant in bearing. The blossoms, too, should not be overlooked. They resemble in appearance small single roses (the petals being cupped) snow white in color, and are as richly and deliciously fragrant as Gardenias or Orange blossoms. As these exquisite flowers are produced constantly from early spring until autumn, the plant is well worthy of cultivation if it produced nothing but flowers.

PRICE of strong plants, 25c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.



Childs' Everbearing Tree Blackberry.

For a Blackberry it is the largest, finest flavored, most prolific, fruiting for two months, and requires no stakes. This fine novelty, of which we control the entire stock, is surely one of the most desirable new things we ever offered, and what we say of it we speak from what we have seen and tested, and not from what others say. It grows from five to seven feet high, branching freely into a fine tree form, as seen in the cut, straight and erect, requiring no stake. The berries are of enormous size, equalled only by the Erie; borne in large clusters, which commence to ripen early in July and continue into September, making its fruiting period nearly two months or more. The finest Blackberries we ever ate we picked about September first from some of these plants, which had been ripening fruit since July 8th. They are exceedingly sweet, juicy and delicious, melting in the mouth without a particle of hard core. Its delicate flavor great productiveness, enormous size, long season of bearing, and perfect hardiness in the coldest parts of the country, make it the most valuable of all berries for family use. Some of our customers who bought it last spring report that the plants fruited last summer, and berries proved to be the largest and finest ever seen, and that the symmetrical branching of the plants makes them perfect little trees.

Price—First quality, large and strong, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.50.

Two Fine Blackberries.

Price—3 for 25c.; 12 for 75c.; 100 for $2.50.

Erie—It is in every sense a superb Blackberry, being enormously prolific, hardy, the fruit large in size, perfect in shape, sweet and luscious in quality. Is soft and melting to the taste, being rich and sugary to the very core.

Early Harvest—The earliest Blackberry grown, and in every way a grand good sort. Often grows eight feet high and a perfect mass of fruit from top to bottom.

CHILDS' JAPANESE WINEBERRY.

Great Japanese Wineberry.

This magnificent fruit, which was introduced by us three years ago, is now acknowledged to be one of the most valuable fruit novelties ever introduced.

Growth and Hardiness—It belongs to the Raspberry family, is a strong, vigorous grower, attaining the height of 4 to 6 feet, and is *perfectly hardy* in all positions without protection. It is in fact, more hardy and vigorous than any Raspberry or Blackberry. It stands alike the cold of northern winters and the heat of southern summers, without the slightest degree of injury. Its leaves are of the darkest green outside and silvery white underneath. The young shoots and branches are covered with reddish brown hair or moss which makes the plants odd and handsome.

Fruit—The fruit is borne in large clusters, often 75 to 100 berries in a bunch. These berries are, from the time of formation and bloom until they ripen, enclosed in a "burr," which is formed by the calyx covering them entirely. When ripe the "burr" opens, exhibiting a large berry of the brightest, light, glossy scarlet or sherry wine color. The "burrs" and stems are covered with a heavy reddish moss, *like a Moss Rose bud*, giving the plant a most unique and beautiful appearance. The flavor of the fruit is entirely different from any other berry, being very sprightly, sweet and juicy, having no disagreeable sour, but a delicate and luscious flavor peculiar to itself and superior to other berries. It is absolutely free from all insect ravages.

For Canning and Preserving—The Wineberry is greatly *superior to any other fruit*. It is the only fruit which will retain its fresh, sprightly flavor after being cooked, and for cooking in any form there is nothing which can compare with it. It also makes the most delicous jelly.

For Syrup and Wine—The Wineberry makes a syrup which, for flavoring, is superior to all other fruit juices. As a flavor for soda water it is delicious and novel. It will make more wine from the same bulk than any other fruit, and good judges have pronounced it the most delicious wine.

Time of Ripening and Productiveness—The fruit commences to ripen early in July, and continues in bearing for a long time. It is the most productive berry known, the bushes being literally covered with its large clusters of luscious fruit, which are very easily gathered. Owing to their novelty, superb flavor and great beauty they sell more readily and at far better prices than any other berry.

Price—First-class, vigorous plants, for fruiting first year, by mail, postpaid, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 15 for $1.00. Two-year old plants, 30c. each; 4 for 75c.; 12 for $2.00.

Seed—Fresh seed, per pkt., 10c.; 6 pkts. for 50c.

Currant.

Childs' Giant Ruby—This is the finest of all Currants. It is of remarkable strong growth, and in the size and quality of the fruit it is really a marvel. The berries are very large, borne in enormous clusters of twenty to thirty, yet leaving room near the wood to make picking easily done without bruising or crushing the berries. In color they are the most beautiful ruby scarlet, sparkling and glossy, and being so large in size they catch every eye, and sell more readily and for much better prices than any other variety. It is now being largely planted where Fay's and other sorts have been pulled out, for it is a greater and surer bearer than any other. In this locality it easily produces three or four times as much fruit as Fay's or Cherry, and the fruit is certainly much finer in every respect. Mr N. Hallock says: "I have grown the Giant Ruby Currant for four years. Bushes three years set yielded the past season five pounds of fine fruit where Fay's Prolific, in the same lot, has been an entire failure. Of the seven or eight kinds I grow Giant Ruby yields double the quantity of fruit of any of them." 25c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1; 100 for $10.

Crandall Tree—A strong and rapid grower attaining a height of seven feet and branching freely into a fine symmetrical tree form; single shoots often grow four to five feet in one season. It bears every year a tremendous crop of large black fruit nearly the size of a grape, the quality of which is entirely unlike that of any other Black Currant, as it has none of the odor or disagreeable flavor common to black sorts. Its quality is very fine indeed, and is not excelled for cooking in any form, either for pies, jelly, jam or sauce. Its flavor is that of the Sweet Currant, combined with the acid of the Cherry Currant. It is almost sure to commence bearing the first year and certainly will yield a big crop the second year. The fruit begins to ripen the middle of July and continues to the middle of August, the large berries being borne in clusters of four to twelve and cling to the tree a long time after they are ripe before dropping. The currant worm does not infest this sort. It is of ironclad hardiness. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for $1.75.

Giant White—A splendid sort, bearing large clusters of white currants which are perfectly luscious. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Sugarplum.

New Red Blackberry, "Sugarplum."

A fine sort which is very odd, beautiful and luscious. Fruit large, borne abundantly, very sweet and honey-like, and when ripe of a lovely violet red color. A great acquisition. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for $1.00.

Two Fine Blackberries.

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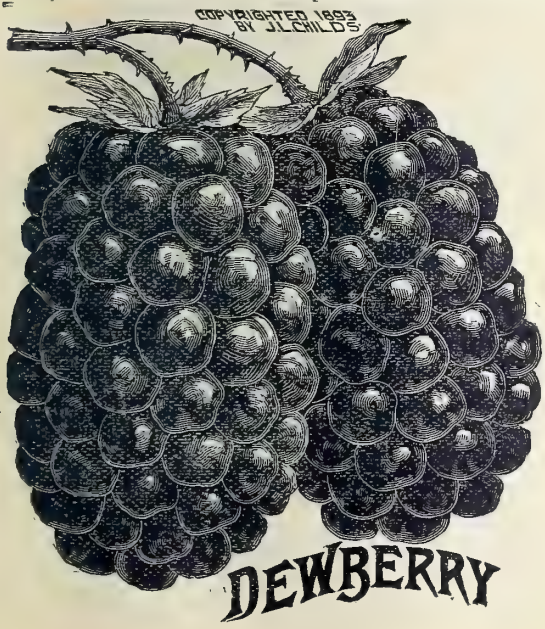
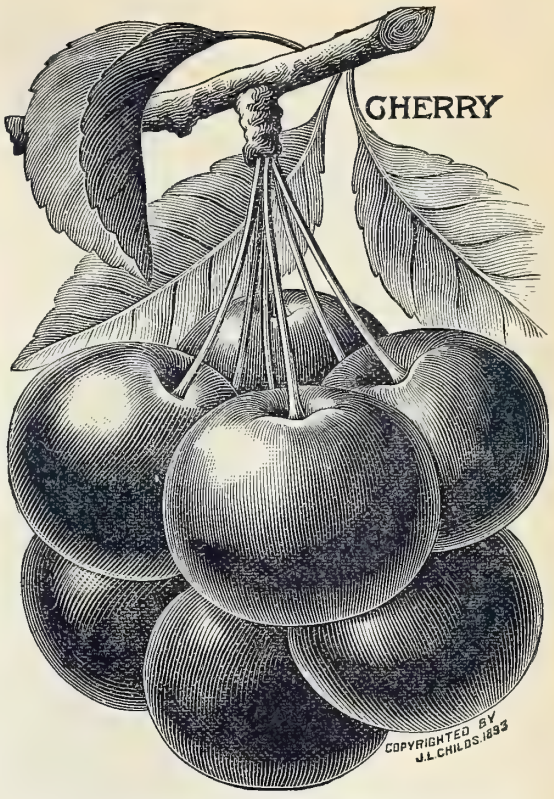




The Dwarf Rocky Mountain Cherry.

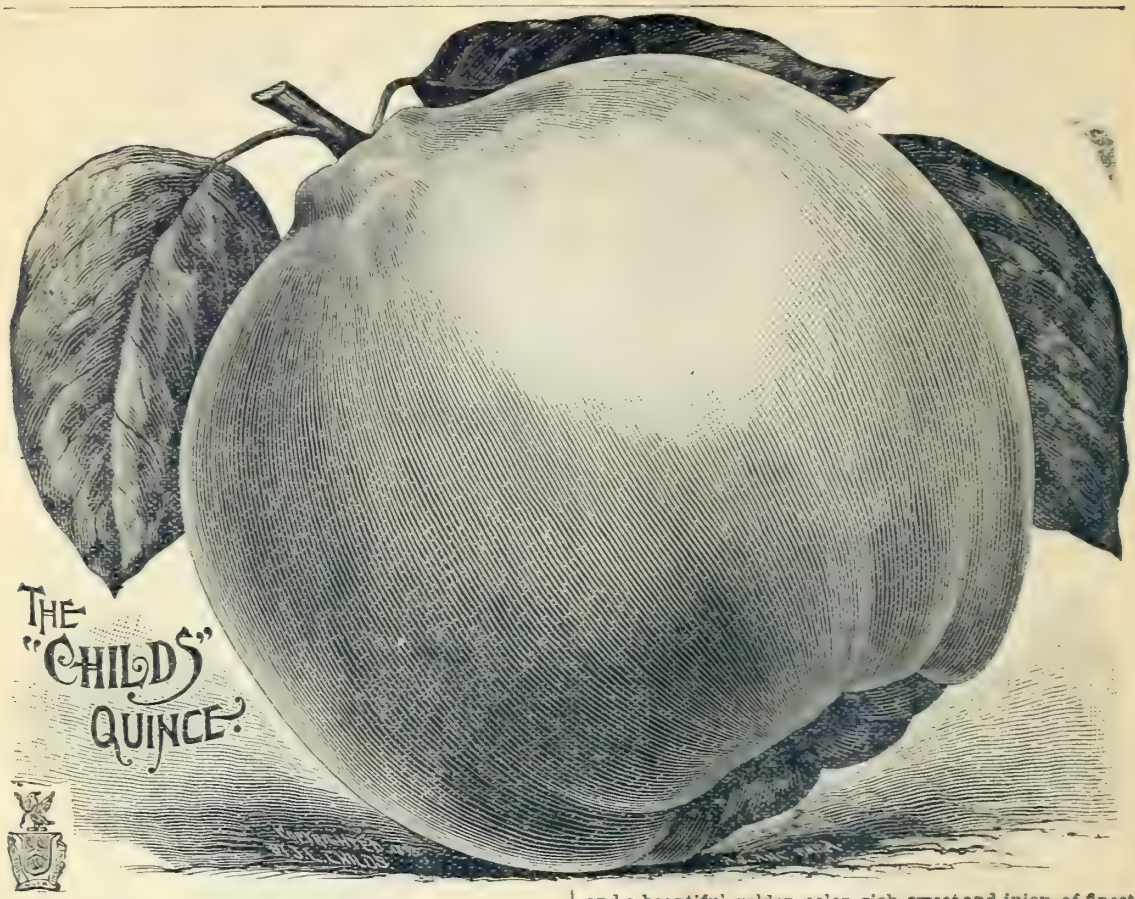
This wonderful fruit was discovered in 1878, in the mountains of Larimer County, Colorado. It is one of the most productive fruits that grow. It is not uncommon to pick 15 to 20 quarts of fruit from a three-year-old bush, and 80 cherries have been counted on a branch 12 inches in length from a two-year-old bush. The fruit when ripe is a jet black and of a size as shown in the cut. In flavor it is much like the sweet cherries; when ripe is conceded superior to any other variety. It is ornamental as well as useful, both in flower and fruit. It bears every year, grows to a height of four feet, and has never been affected by insects or disease. On account of its small growth it can be grown in a little space where there would not be room to plant a larger growing cherry or other tree, and is a superb thing to plant on the lawn or among shrubbery. It is one of the most startling novelties of last year. As it blooms and bears fruit when only a foot high it may be grown in a pot, if desired, like the Otaheite Orange. Price, 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.

Dewberries.

Since we first introduced this valuable fruit several years ago, it has become very popular, and is now largely grown in all sections of the country. It is, as is generally known, a climbing Blackberry, the vine growing very long and may be allowed to trail over the ground or may be trained up to trellises, like Grapes. It is hardy and robust and a sure annual bearer, the berries being larger, sweeter and superior in every way to Blackberries. The fruit is borne in great quantities, and is of a soft, pulpy nature, sugary and delicate, and seems to melt in one's mouth like ice cream. The berries are very large, often more than two inches in length, a glossy sparkling black color. It is perfectly hardy, and does not succor from the roots, but is increased from the tips like Black Cap Raspberries. When in bloom in the spring it is very ornamental indeed, the flowers appearing in large quantity and are of great size and snowy whiteness. Many wild and worthless plants of the Dewberry have been sold, and no doubt many people have been disappointed in them, but those who plant the genuine Lucretia will be delighted with it and prize it as one of the very choicest fruits.

Lucretia—(True). We find this to be superior in every particular to any other variety which has been offered. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for $1.00.

Crystal White—A new sort, the berries of which are crystal white in color; not so large as Lucretia, but exceedingly juicy, rich and sweet. 15c each; 5 for 50c.



The Childs Quince.

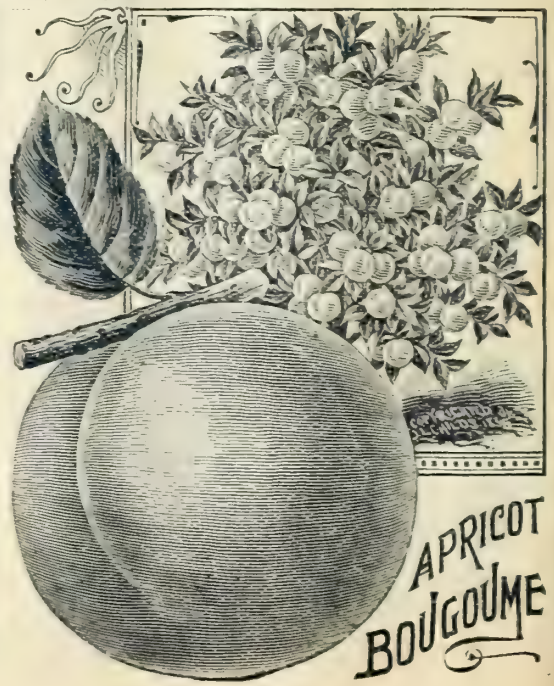
This is a most remarkable new rruit, and will be hailed with delight, as it is such an improvement over all varieties of Quince thus far introduced. The fruit grows to an enormous size, larger than the largest Apples. In shape it is nearly round, resembling an Apple very much, with smooth skin. It is of very mild, pleasant flavor, so much so that when ripe it is delicious to eat raw from the hand as one would eat a good Apple. For cooking it is superb. Its flesh is so tender that it will bake or stew as readily as an Apple, and in less time. The tree is a large, rank, luxuriant grower with heavy foliage and bears enormously, beginning when they stand in the nursery rows and only a few feet in height It is, indeed, a pretty sight to see these little trees, each bearing a number of Quinces of such tremendous size.

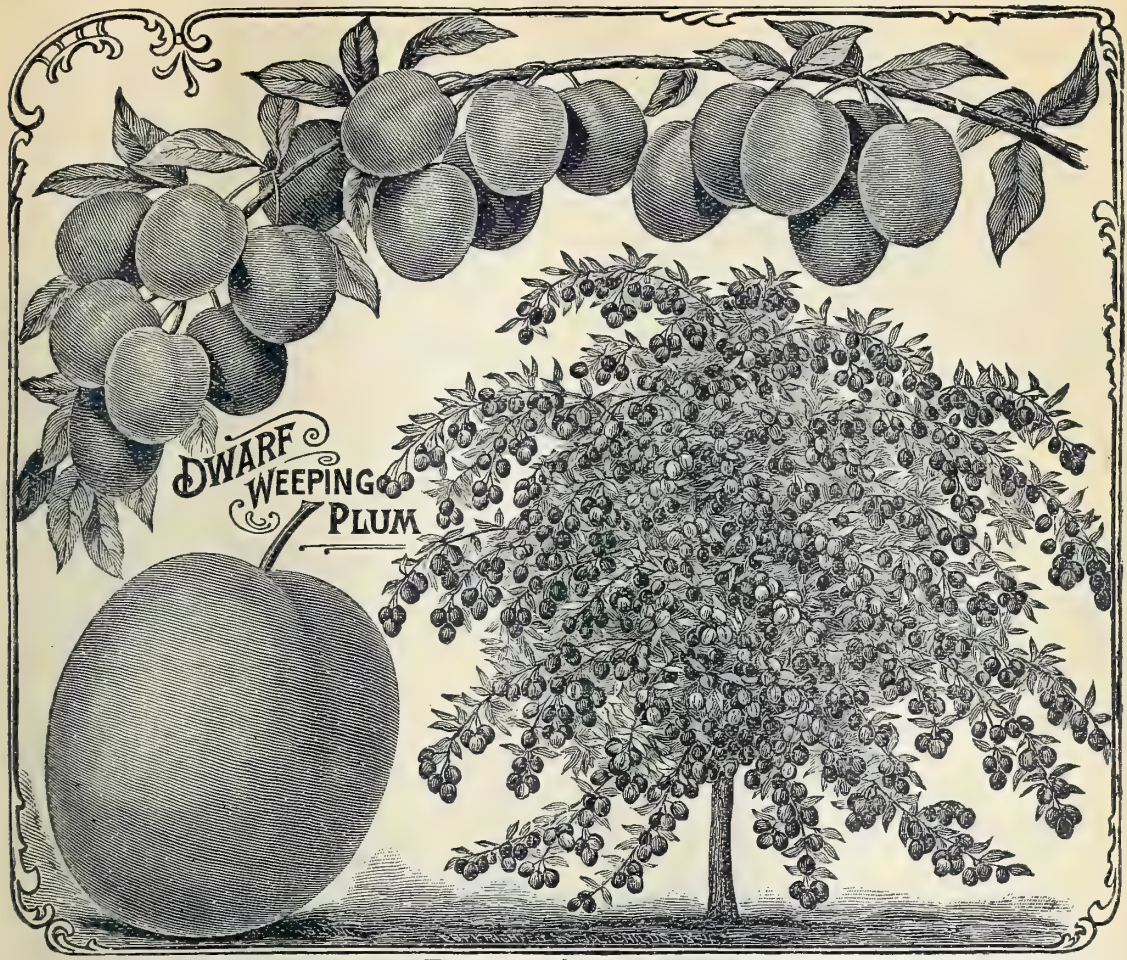
Mr. Burbank, the originator, writes: "Two-year-old trees of the Childs Quince are now bending almost to the ground with their fruit, which hang almost from the soil up the stems to the very tops. Some of these trees are only three and one-half feet high. I doubt if you realize what a grand fruit it is. It is the earliest Quince to ripen, earliest to bear, productive to my astonishment every season, smooth, handsome, lemon-yellow fruit, very large, and cooks in five minutes."

This Quince has already become more or less famous through newspaper articles which have been written in praise of its merits. Price, 60c. each; 3 for $1.50.

Apricot, Bougoume.

A new sort from Japan, and the finest yet introduced. It is so very dwarf that it requires no more room than a good shrub, yet growing luxuriantly with large, healthy foliage in great abundance, and marvelous crops of delicious fruit. It can even be grown in a large pot or tub, like a Hydrangea or Oleander, and will fruit abundantly. It is perfectly hardy and bears when only two or three feet high. Fruit ripens in early summer, before Peaches or any other good fruit, in fact the earliest of the Apricots. Fruit large and a beautiful golden color, rich, sweet and juicy, of finest flavor, and good, solid flesh. A most valuable new fruit. 30c. each; 4 for $1.00. Extra large trees, by express, 60c. each; 4 for $2.00.





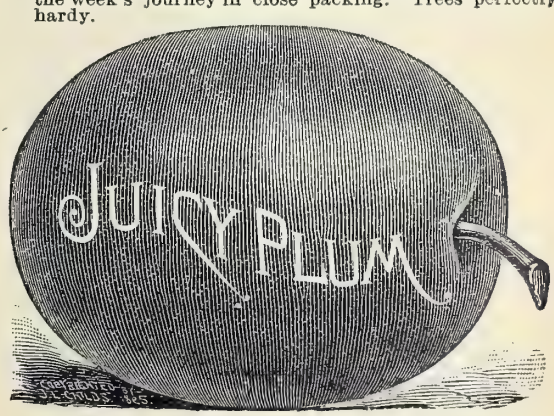
Three Grandest Plums.

Since the introduction of our Wineberry and Mayberry, nothing has been offered in the way of new fruits which can compare in value and importance to these new Plums—Burbank's greatest production. They are crosses with Japan varieties, and possess the most distinct characteristics; are the most beautiful, most luscious, best bearers and keepers, hardiest and best adapted to all soils and climates. They were introduced by us last year.

Delaware or Dwarf-Weeping Plum. A superb and highly ornamental tree of short, symmetrical growth and long branches which droop to the ground. Owing to its dwarf habit it can be grown in space that would not admit of a larger kind. The best Plum in existence, with a most exquisite flavor like that of the Delaware Grape. It is described by some as possessing the flavor of the Apricot, Grape, Plum and Watermelon combined. Fruit of good size, purple flesh and skin, with white bloom. It is exceedingly productive, and ripens very early. Tree hardy and healthy, bearing when but two feet high. A perfect gem of a fruit and ornamental tree combined, and should be on every lawn and in every garden. It is destined to be the most popular Plum of the future, as it is certainly the most beautiful and luscious.

Shipper. Tree a large, rank grower, and enormously prolific. Fruit of large size, rich, juicy and sweet. Form and color of Imperial Gage, but handsomer, and the best Plum for shipping yet introduced. Hardy, robust and heavy annual cropper. The most profitable of all market Plums, as it is of the best quality, largest size, most prolific and best shipper.

Juicy. This glorious new Plum is a cross between Botan and Robinson. The fruit is the size of the former and three times larger than the latter, and of perfect shape. Skin thin and transparent, light yellow, underlaid with scarlet—as beautiful as wax. In quality it seems to us that there is no other fruit which can approach it. It has a delicious sweetness, mingled with a sprightly acid, and a high melting plum flavor, surpassing anything we ever saw. When fully ripe it is so juicy that when the skin is broken its delicious pulp flows out like honey. The tree is a hardy, rank, luxuriant grower, though of dwarfish habit. It blooms so late in spring that frost never injures the crop. In this respect it is valuable beyond estimate. It begins to bear when very small—trees scarcely three feet high often producing large crops. When of fair size it is an enormous yielder, and the fruit ripens early. The fruit keeps a long time after ripening, often fifteen to twenty days in hot weather, before decaying. We have received them from Northern California in the finest possible condition, notwithstanding the week's journey in close packing. Trees perfectly hardy.



PRICE of these Three Finest Plums, 30c. each; the 3 for 75c. Large trees, by express, 50c. each; 5 for $2.00. Plant them by all means

Chestnut, Japan Giant.

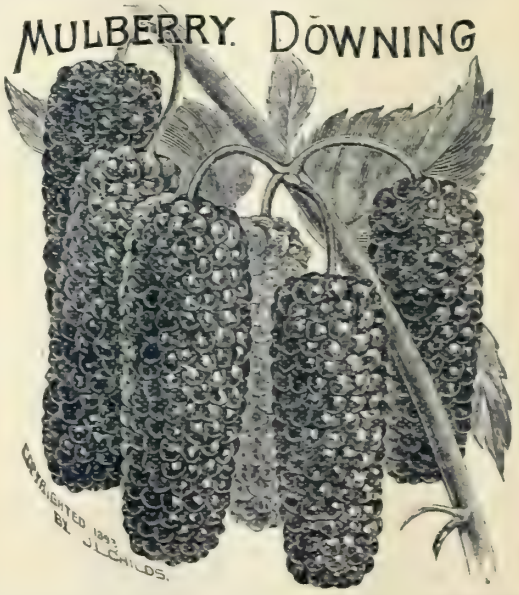
Introduced recently from Japan, and a chestnut of enormous size, the nuts averaging four to six times larger than our American variety and it is not unusual for burrs to contain four to seven of these large perfect nuts. They are almost sure to commence bearing the second year after planting, no matter how small the tree may be. They mature their fruit early and it drops at the first touch of frost. Enormously prolific, tree highly ornamental and will prove an attractive and novel thing on anyone's place. 40c. each; 3 for $1.00.

Downing's Everbearing Mulberry.

The Rev. Henry Ward Beecher once said: "I regard Downing's Everbearing Mulberry as an indispensable addition to every fruit garden, and I would rather have a tree of it than a bed of Strawberries." One cannot wonder at this remark when one sees this splendid fruit growing and tastes its luscious flavor. The tree attains a large size and begins to bear when very small—in fact, when only a few feet in height. The fruit is about one and one-half to two inches long, jet black in color, very juicy and exceedingly sweet and rich in flavor. Like the Russian Mulberry, the fruit begins to ripen in July and continues for two months or longer. As a lawn or street tree this Mulberry is a real beauty and should be grown for this purpose, even if its fruit were not eatable. Its foliage is large, dense and luxuriant, and remains bright and green the whole summer. We consider this one of the finest new fruits. 50c. each; 5 for $2.00.

Eleagnus Longipes.

This is a new fruit from Japan, and was, we think, first seen in fruit at the summer residence of Mr. Chas. A. Dana, editor of the New York Sun. For two or three years many people have been to see it and to taste it, and it seems that no one ever tires of praising it. It has fruited elegantly in our own grounds now for two summers, and as a rare or fancy fruit it is one which is sure to delight its possessor. It is a shrub, fruiting when only three or four feet high, and probably never exceeds five or six feet when fully grown. The fruit is borne in quantity the whole length of the branches, is oblong or olive shape and about the color of a dark red cherry. It has a small pit and an excellent flavor, being rich, juicy, sprightly, and more luscious than the cherry. It ripens in July and August and the fruit remains in good condition a long time before dropping. The bush is perfectly hardy and robust. Price, 25c. each; 5 for $1.00.



SPECIAL OFFER—*One each of Mulberry, Chestnut and Eleagnus for $1.00.*

Peaches.

There is no tree which makes a more rapid growth and comes into bearing sooner after planting than the Peach. Trees small enough to go by mail will bear in three years, and their cost is so little that every home in our land should be abundantly supplied with this most valuable and delicious fruit. These new varieties are particularly fine, and superior in many respects. They are all extremely hardy, some of them being able to stand the climate of Canada.

Excelsior. A wonderfully good new Peach, which originated near Lowell, Mass. The tree is a dwarf of low-spreading, willow-like habit of growth, and the fruit buds are so hardy that it produces a full annual crop when all others fail. Fruit medium to large, rich orange-yellow, splashed with carmine on the sunny side, flesh yellow, juicy, very sweet, tender and rich. Pit small and a perfect freestone. The low growth and great beauty of this tree make it a desirable ornament for the lawn or garden. When loaded with its large, luscious fruit, it is one of the most strikingly beautiful small trees it is possible to have.

Dwarf Japanese. This is the earliest of all Peaches, ripening two or three weeks ahead of Alexander, and maturing in about eight weeks from time of blooming. It is a dwarf growing, very stocky variety from Japan, bearing when three or four feet high; a little tree, one year planted, matured twenty-four fine specimens. The blooming season is later than other varieties, making it almost free from the danger of damage by late spring frosts. Fruit large, beautiful crimson and yellow, heavily overlaid with red, really having the appearance of blood red. The flesh is rich, juicy and most excellent quality, and much the same color as outside. It is the most fragrant of all Peaches, a single specimen being so sweet as to fill a whole room with the delightful fragrance. The trees are very productive, bear extremely young and can be planted very closely together. It requires so little room that it may be grown on the lawn or in any nook or corner which would not accommodate a larger variety. It is a perfect gem of a fruit, and like the Bougoume Apricot, Bismarck Apple and Rocky Mountain Cherry, can be grown even in a large pot or tub.

Champion. Fruit very large often 10 inches in circumference. Flavor most delicious, juicy, sweet and rich, surpassing most other varieties. Color, a beautiful creamy-white, with a bright red cheek, most strikingly handsome in appearance. Its season of ripening is very early.

The Lemon Peach. A most unique variety, and a tree in bearing looks as though it was full of lemons instead of peaches. Extra fine and entirely distinct fruit, being oblong or lemon-shaped, pointed at the apex. Color, pale lemon when ripe. It is of large size, fine specimens measuring over 13 inches in circumference; medium early, and is of the finest quality and immensely productive.

The Orange Peach. This glorious Peach is a higly valuable and distinct variety, its enormous fruits closely resembling large, luscious oranges, and a tree in bearing reminds one of the orange groves of Florida.

Price, 25c. each; $1.50 per dozen; the 5 for $1.00.

New Apples.

It was our good fortune a few years ago to come into control of three new Apples of superior quality. They are so valuable that they will become leading favorites, and we advise our customers to plant a few if only to get grafts.

Two-Faced—We never brought out a more unique novelty than this. It originated in Cayuga County, N. Y., and the original tree has been known for many years, but this is the first time it has ever been propagated and put upon the market. The tree bears an apple which is in size and shape similar to the Tallman Sweet; its peculiarity being that every fruit is equally divided. One half is sour, like a Greening, and the other half is sweet, like the Tallman. This is one of the most peculiar freaks which has ever been observed in vegetation. Its oddity, as well as its fine bearing qualities, and the excellent quality of the fruit, both the sweet and sour portion, will make it immensely popular.

Ruby Gem—As its name implies, this is an Apple of the most brilliant ruby-red color imaginable, and being of large size and perfect in form it is the handsomest variety we have ever seen. Every one is as fair and perfect as though moulded of wax, and the season of ripening is early autumn. The tree is a heavy bearer, commencing when very small to yield an abundant crop; flesh very tender and melting, juicy and of delicious, pleasant, sub-acid quality. Tree a strong grower and heavy annual bearer; a most luscious and valuable Apple for home use and the most profitable one for market.

Glowing Coal—The fruit is enormous in size and as fair as wax; one half bright shining red while the other half is intense scarlet, and as they hang on the trees the large, beautiful fruit can be seen for a long distance, glowing almost like a coal among the dense green foliage. It is of extra fine quality, mild sub-acid, and ripens early in September. Tree rank, vigorous grower, and a great and early bearer. This will become the finest of all Apples for market. Its great beauty and size, as well as its unexcelled quality will place it at the head of all.

Bismarck—This new Dwarf Apple is indeed a wonder. Little trees a foot or two in height will bear a few apples of enormous size, either growing in pots or in the ground. A little tree 12 inches high, which we imported from France last winter, bore a fine large apple the following summer. Fruit very large, of brilliant color, and borne freely on trees two years old. A most unique pot plant to grow with the Otaheite Orange, and a fine little shrub for the garden, the great apples on such very small trees attracting great attention.

Lorain Sweet—An Apple of great size and superb quality. It ripens in early fall and is the most delicious Sweet Apple grown, flesh being exceedingly tender and melting, and of the most luscious flavor, reminding one of the sweetness of honey. Shonld be in every orchard.

Price of above five New Apples, 30c. each; $2.00 per dozen; the five for $1.25.

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